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Above: Firefighters from the Camp Foster Fire Department, from left, Haruyuki Shinzato, Moriya Chinen and Hitoshi Morikone, deliver a stream of water to a piece of equipment during training Thursday at Camp Foster. Left: Chinen, Shinzato and Morikone take part in a practice session. The Marine Corps Bases Japan Fire Department, selected last week as Marine Corps Fire Department of the year, credits training and its relationship with Okinawan firefighters as factors in receiving the award. Stations that make up the entire Japan Fire Department are Iwakuni, Futenma and camps Hansen, Schwab, McTureous, Kinser, Foster and Fuji.

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## States

**New Mexico wildfires:** The weather gave firefighters a break Saturday as they battled a fire that burned nearly 300 acres and prompted evacuations along the Rio Grande in central New Mexico.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency on Saturday said that it has authorized the use of federal funds to battle the Bernardo fire.

Crews contained at least half of the 288-acre blaze and worked to bolster their fire lines Saturday, said Laura Mulry, spokeswoman for the state Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department.

**Gay-marriage debate:** Senate action on banning gay marriage has become a priority because judges are redefining marriage as more than just the union of a man and woman as they allow same-sex couples to marry, the Senate majority leader said Sunday.

Sen. Bill Frist rejected a suggestion that he scheduled the debate in mid-July to embarrass his fellow senator, John Kerry, who a few days later is expected to be nominated as the Democrats' challenger against President Bush in November's election.

He noted that Kerry was among 14 senators who voted against the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act, signed into law by President Clinton, a Democrat.

**Phish farewell:** Tickets to Phish's "Convertry" festival in August — the popular jam band's last concert — sold out on Friday.

The two-day event in the band's home state of Vermont was expected to sell 70,000 tickets. Event spokesman Adam Lewis on Friday could not say exactly how many tickets were sold.

Interest in the festival intensified when Phish announced in May that the band was splitting up.

Fans will descend on the Newport State Airport and surrounding fields in Coventry on Aug. 14 and 15.

## Business

**Enron proceedings:** Kenneth Lay, Enron Corp.'s founder and former chairman, could be indicted on charges stemming from its 2001 collapse by the end of June, sources close to the case said Saturday.

Two sources who spoke on the condition of anonymity said federal prosecutors are aggressively pursuing Lay, and witnesses with information about him have recently testified before a special grand jury probing Enron's December 2001 collapse.



**Philippine election:** House Speaker Jose de Venecia raises the certificate of canvass on Cotabato city, the last to be counted, beside Senate President Franklin Drilon, right, after the final votes were tallied. President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo has won another term in office, according to a congressional committee that finished the contentious vote count Sunday, six weeks after the election.

Federal prosecutors aim to ask the grand jury for an indictment before the Fourth of July, the sources said.

## Military

**Missile defense:** Australia will join a U.S. missile defense program next month, the government said Saturday, in a move expected to rattle neighboring Asian countries that already regard Australia as a tool of American foreign policy in the region.

Defense Minister Robert Hill said Australian and U.S. defense officials will sign a memorandum of understanding on the missile shield during meetings in July.

## World

**Hong Kong democracy protest:** In its latest criticism of pro-democracy forces in Hong Kong, China on Sunday called a planned July 1 anti-government rally in the territory a deliberately combative move.

Hundreds of thousands of people are expected to turn out for the march to reiterate Hong Kong's democratic aspirations, which were dashed when direct elections for the territory's next leader in 2007 and all lawmakers in 2008 were ruled out by Beijing in April.

The July 1 protest marks the first anniversary of an unprecedented rally that saw half

a million protesters pour onto the streets of the territory, forcing the government to back down on an anti-subversion law China wanted enacted.

**Israeli government negotiations:** The head of Israel's opposition Labor Party laid out a series of tough demands Sunday for joining the government, suggesting that Prime Minister Ariel Sharon could face an uphill battle in shoring up his fractured coalition.

Opposition leader Shimon Peres said Sharon must agree to a far-reaching Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and commit to negotiating with the Palestinians about the Gaza withdrawal.

Sharon has resisted similar ideas in the past, but may need Labor to shore up his fractured government.

**Indonesian elections:** President Megawati Sukarnoputri, trailing badly in polls ahead of Indonesia's July 5 presidential elections, told a boisterous crowd of 30,000 supporters in Jakarta Sunday that she would win re-election and assure prosperity over the next five years.

Sounding defiant at times, she delivered a spirited defense of her administration. She is behind front-runner and former Cabinet minister Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono by as much as 30 points in the polls.

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# Okinawa spared brunt of Typhoon Dianmu

## At least one reported killed as storm brings rain and wind to island

By DAVID ALLEN  
Stars and Stripes

CAMP FOSTER, Okinawa — Like an aging prizefighter, Typhoon Dianmu lost its punch as it approached Okinawa Saturday night and left island residents Sunday morning wondering what all the fuss was about.

Still, at least one death has been attributed to the typhoon by Okinawa police.

"The storm weakened as it hit a frontal boundary to our north and passed over colder water," Tech Sgt. Glen DeMars, a forecaster with the 18th Weather Flight, said Sunday morning. "The peak winds on the island so far have been 54 knots (62 mph) and we should stay that way until about noon.

"It's really too early in the typhoon season for storms to maintain their intensity this far north," he said.

Military bases on the island went into TCCOR 1 Emergency at 5 a.m. Sunday. The storm's closest point of approach was 97 miles east-southeast of Kadena Air Base at 6 a.m. It was moving quickly to the north at 10 mph.

No major damage was reported as the forceful bands of the storm passed over the island.

For some base residents, being locked down for a day had one important benefit. "Our family had some quality time to spend together for a day or two," said Melinda Fogarty, a DODDS teacher. Her family, she said, recently moved into base housing at O'Donnell Gardens near Camp Shields and has faced much stronger typhoons.

She praised officials at Kadena Air Base for keeping everyone up to date on the forecasts — even though they were calling for a stronger storm.

"I thought it was going to be very bad; we were prepared for the worst," she said. "We had plenty water, food and supplies but you can never be too prepared."

Darrell Farmer, a retired sailor who



MARK RANKIN/Stars and Stripes

**High winds and rain cause large waves to bash barriers at local beaches near Kadena Marina on Okinawa on Sunday. Okinawa military bases went into TCCOR 1 Emergency at 5 a.m. Sunday but the typhoon later lost its punch. No damage was reported at any bases.**

lives with his daughters and active-duty wife on Camp Lester, said he also had seen much worse in his 10 years on the island. He said Dianmu was weak and the worst damage was to his weekend.

"The heavy rainstorm we had two weeks ago scared me more than this typhoon," he said. "The weekends are my time to relax and play, especially during the summer. This rain and windstorm should have come in the middle of the week so I could have played golf Saturday and Sunday. Now, I've got to wait a week before I can play golf."

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class George Walker, a Seabee with NMCCB-133, just arrived for a six-month deployment at Camp

**"Our family had some quality time to spend together for a day or two."**

Melinda Fogarty  
DODDS teacher

Shields. He reported being a bit disappointed by his first tropical storm in Typhoon Alley.

"I didn't know what to expect," Walker said. "Everyone was going to the shopette and buying groceries like we'd be shut up for three or four days. The Seabees passed out Meals, Ready, Eat to everyone in the barracks because the dining facility was closed."

But there was a bright side.

"I was pretty disappointed that the storm didn't keep us inside longer but I guess that's good because if it had torn up things, you can guess who was going to be cleaning up the mess up afterwards around Camp Shields and other bases," he said. "You guessed it: Seabees."

TCCOR 1 Recovery was called at 9:15 a.m. and the all clear recorded at 11:30 p.m. Sunday. The island's bases were expected to resume business as normal Monday morning.

Okinawa police reported one death blamed on Typhoon Dianmu, Chinese for "Mother of Lightning." A 32-year-old Japanese man drowned while board-sailing on the southern coast of the island Saturday morning.

Japanese media reported two additional fatalities. Two college students were apparently swept away by rough seas while barbecuing on the beach Saturday in Shirazuka, 95 miles west of Tokyo. Their bodies were found washed ashore Sunday.

Local media also reported that a 73-year-old Tokyo resident remained missing after he went fishing Friday near Kozu island about 75 miles south of Tokyo. Officials said they feared he may have gotten lost in high waves.

A 29-year-old Japanese man on a moped was injured when he ran through construction cones to into two highway workers who were closing the Tomari Bridge in Naha to traffic at 11:40 p.m. Saturday.

The moped rider was taken to a local hospital, where he was unconscious Sunday night and listed in critical condition. One of the highway workers was treated for a broken leg.

No major damage was reported by Okinawa police or base officials.

The storm was expected to weaken further as it plowed north toward the island of Kyushu on Sunday night. The Joint Typhoon Warning Center in Hawaii forecast the center of Typhoon Dianmu would pass Monday some 138 miles to the east of Saiboku, with winds of 75 mph to 90 mph at its center, by 6 a.m., and within 63 miles to the east of Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni by 11 a.m. Monday, with winds weakened to 60 mph to 80 mph at its center.

Stripes reporters Chiyomi Sumida, Mark Rankin and The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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# Minister draws on grim past for anti-suicide talk at Atsugi

By T.D. FLACK  
Stars and Stripes

TOKYO — For most of the late 1980s, minister Mike Warnke spent each day by compiling a list of reasons to live and a list of reasons to die, a loaded pistol by his side.

If the reasons to die ever outnumbered those to live, he told an audience at Atsugi Naval Air Facility, Japan, last week, he would have pulled the trigger.

The former Navy corpsman, now with more than 30 years' ministry experience, was at Atsugi Thursday and Friday, telling his chilling story as a suicide prevention presentation arranged by the chapel.

Warnke, 57, said he was mad at God; hence the daily ritual.

But, he stressed, God ensured the first list always was longer than the second — the reason he's still alive.

And his message to the Atsugi community, learned firsthand, is that he understands there are moments when everything can seem overwhelming.

But, he said, "Just hang on ... nothing is

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Mike Warnke  
Minister

so bad that you have to absolutely end everything. Suicide is not the answer."

Warnke said in a phone interview that he uses humor to get his message across in a way that is palatable, instead of "banging them over the head with a Bible."

"He said his time as a sailor helps him understand the troops."

"That I was in Vietnam helps ... I know a little bit about the military," he said.

"It's a reference to come from and I use that as understanding the sailors and Marines."

Warnke said he told the community he understands stress in combat, in the military and what it's like to be separated from what they're familiar with.

After speaking Thursday, he said, he was approached by an audience member who "was actually going through a problem and was contemplating suicide."

He said helping that person was kind of the payoff, that the person is seeking additional help from the command.

Warnke faced an additional personal challenge in 1992, when "Cornerstone," a religious publication, published an exposé by two investigative reporters accusing him of financial fraud and lying about being a former satanic high priest.

"I can't sit and say I was totally innocent, because I wasn't, but I wasn't totally guilty of everything I was accused of," Warnke

said. "I had to take stock of myself, my ministry."

Warnke said he submitted himself to his Celebrations of Hope Ministries and has undergone a "restoration process," documented on his Web site, [www.mikewarnke.org](http://www.mikewarnke.org).

"I have found that one of the big mistakes I made is that I never had anyone to make me accountable for what I was doing or how I was doing it," he said. "I found out how actually liberating it is to have people in authority in your life. I put myself through that process and ... moved on from there."

And that was his message to people facing problems.

"No matter how bad it is, no matter how broken your heart may be, no matter how dark your situation may seem, as long as you have options, you have room to maneuver," he said.

"Once you decide on suicide, you effectively end your ability to exercise options and you don't want to do that. You always want to leave yourself options."

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# Al-Qaida claims Saudi police aided kidnapping

BY MAGGIE MICHAEL

The Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt — The al-Qaida cell that kidnapped and killed American Paul M. Johnson Jr. said in an online periodical Sunday that sympathizers in the kingdom's security forces supplied it with police uniforms and vehicles and set up fake checkpoints to facilitate last week's abduction.



al-Moqrin

in a shootout in Riyadh the night before.

The group, calling itself al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, also vowed to continue its holy war. It has claimed responsibility for a number of recent attacks targeting Westerners, including the kidnapping and Friday beheading of Johnson.

The details of the kidnapping appeared in Sawt al-Jihad, or Voice of Holy War, a semimonthly online periodical published by al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula. A separate article, the final one written by al-Moqrin, justified Johnson's slaying.

The first article said militants wearing police uniforms and using police cars set up a fake checkpoint on al-Khadima Road, leading to the airport, near Imam Mohammed bin Saud University.

When Johnson's car approached the checkpoint June 12, the militants in police uniforms stopped his car — a Camry — detained him, anesthetized him and carried him to another car, the article said.

It said they then blew up Johnson's car.

"This car is the one the Saudi media claimed was laden with explosives and that [the security] seized and defused it," the article said.



A Saudi man walks Saturday at a gas station near Riyadh, where a firefight between police and terrorists took place on Friday, killing Abdulaziz al-Moqrin, the kingdom's reputed leader of al-Qaida.

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plives and that [the security] seized and defused it," the article said.

Security officials said last week that Johnson's car was found near Imam University. Saudi press reports said the car was booby-trapped and later caught fire.

"A number of the cooperators who are sincere to their religion in the security apparatus donated those clothes and the police cars. We ask God to reward them and that they use their energy to serve Islam and the mujahideen," the article read.

Diplomats and Westerners in the kingdom have expressed fears that militants may have infiltrated Saudi security forces and other institutions. Saudi officials have denied this, and there has been no indication that militants

used government contacts in Johnson's kidnapping.

The al-Qaida article said the militants decided to behead Johnson when Adel al-Jubeir, foreign affairs adviser to Crown Prince Abdullah in Washington, declared that Saudi Arabia would not negotiate with the kidnappers, who had demanded the release of jailed al-Qaida militants by Friday in exchange for Johnson's life.

"The stupid Saudi government took the initiative and announced by the Americanized tongue Adel al-Jubeir that it will not submit to the conditions of the mujahideen, claiming that it doesn't negotiate with terrorists," the statement read.

The group said it beheaded Johnson when its deadline expired Friday.

Al-Moqrin's final article, written after Johnson's kidnapping, described the American as "an infidel, a warrior of the military. He works for military aviation and he belongs to the American

army which kills torture and harm Muslims everywhere, which supports enemies (of Islam) in Palestine, Philippines, Kashmir."

Johnson, 49, had worked on Apache helicopters for Lockheed Martin.

Al-Moqrin replied to critics urging the release of Johnson, saying: "Do those people want to see this infidel carry on the killing of the children and the raping of the women in Baghdad and Kabul in order to bless his killing?"

Al-Moqrin said it is no excuse that Johnson was not a member of the U.S. military.

"According to this twisted logic, U.S. President George W. Bush, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary of State Colin Powell and others are innocent and peaceful because they are like the hostage, all of them do not wear the military uniform and ... stay away from the battlefield," al-Moqrin wrote.

"We can't preserve the dignity of Muslims but through these means."

## Saudis circle Riyadh home in search of militants

The Associated Press

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia — Police cars and armored vehicles flooded the al-Malaz neighborhood in the Saudi capital Sunday as security forces surrounded a house where suspected militants were believed to have taken refuge after a shootout with police.

The massive operation was under way in the same district that was the focus of a huge security sweep against militants sought in the beheading of American hostage Paul M. Johnson Jr., whose body has still not been found.

Saudi King Fahd would want that militants in the kingdom would be stopped.

"The perpetrators of these attacks aimed at shaking stability and crippling security — and it is a far-fetched aim, God will stop them," he said in a speech Sunday to the advisory Shura Council. "We will not allow this destructive bunch, led by deviant thought, to harm the security of this nation or affect its stability."

Police barricaded off the al-Malaz district in Riyadh, where security forces were surrounding the house.

It was the same area where Abdulaziz al-Moqrin, believed to be the leader of al-Qaida in Saudi Arabia, and three other militants were killed in a shootout with Saudi security forces on Friday, hours after their cell killed Johnson and posted photos of his body and severed head on a Web site.

The foreign affairs adviser of Crown Prince Abdullah in Washington, Adel al-Jubeir, said Saudi officials were still looking for Johnson's body.

# Americans in Saudi Arabia worried by recent unrest

BY ADNAN MALIK

The Associated Press

KHOBAR, Saudi Arabia — Shaken by the kidnapping and beheading of a compatriot, Americans working in Saudi Arabia fear a new terrorist will step in to replace the alleged al-Qaida leader reportedly killed by police.

They found little comfort in the government's announcement that Abdulaziz al-Moqrin and three other militants had died in a gun-battle Friday night after killing American engineer Paul M. Johnson Jr.

"I am worried about who is going to step up to take his place and how many of these militants are out there," Jack Smith, 49, an information technology executive in Riyadh, said Saturday.

"I hope the Saudis will squash them all soon," the St. Louis native said of the extremists who have stepped up attacks on Westerners in hopes of undermining the desert kingdom's royal family.

Smith said he had met Johnson several times at barbecues and other get-togethers. "He was a decent guy and a pleasant man to chat with. I feel very sorry for his family."

David Bell, who lives in western Saudi Arabia, expressed skepticism about the Saudi government's ability to impose control.

"What's happened is really very sad, and unfortunately this is not going to stop," said Bell, an engineer from Chicago. "We'll

have to be very cautious and I'm just going to keep a very low profile."

Security measures appear to be increasing throughout the kingdom, with razor wire and high walls being erected around residential compounds and some office buildings.

Police convoys drove around key facilities here in Khobar, an oil city where a terrorist attack killed 22 people last month. At housing compounds for Westerners, camouflage netting draped security posts and sandbags were piled at gates guarded by soldiers with machine guns. Armored personnel carriers stood outside many compounds.

In Washington, Adel al-Jubeir,

foreign affairs adviser to Crown Prince Abdullah, said calls for Americans to leave "might be a mistake."

"We believe that if people were to leave they will have inadvertently achieved the goals of the terrorists," al-Jubeir said. "We have not seen an exodus of American or foreign workers from Saudi Arabia as we speak."

The U.S. Embassy has been urging Americans to leave the kingdom and says those who remain should take precautions to ensure their safety.

The spouses and children of many Western workers are leaving or already have left for the summer school vacation, planning to reassess the situation at

summer's end. Some people have moved temporarily to less-troubled areas in the Persian Gulf.

Reflecting the nervousness among foreigners, several Americans contacted Saturday by The Associated Press agreed to speak only on condition they not be identified.

A 53-year-old business consultant from California said Johnson's kidnapping caused him to speed up plans to relocate elsewhere in the region.

He doubted al-Moqrin's death would make a dent in attacks in the kingdom, saying it might inspire others with anti-Western views to join the militants.

"I'm not going to create a stable environment for my family, and I think the time has come to move," he said.



# Iraq to restructure forces for terror fight

## Prime Minister Allawi also considering 'martial law'

By JIM KRANE  
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraq's interim prime minister announced a restructuring of the country's security forces Sunday, grouping all Iraqi troops under a central command whose chief duty is tackling insurgents plaguing the country.

Prime Minister Iyad Allawi also said his government was considering imposing "martial law" in Iraq's trouble spots to help police and paramilitaries bring order.

He made a plea for more international help in Iraq's guerrilla war, asking outside countries to send troops and donate military hardware to bolster Iraq's beleaguered forces.

"Until our forces are fully capable, we will continue to need support from our friends," Allawi told reporters.

Allawi has made security his top priority, with violence persisting as his government prepares to take sovereignty from Iraq's American occupiers on June 30. On Sunday, a roadside bomb in Baghdad killed two Iraqi soldiers, and U.S. troops clashed with insurgents in the city of Samarra, north of the capital, where three days of fighting killed 10 Iraqis.

The incoming government is considering an amnesty for Iraqi guerrillas who haven't taken direct roles in the killings of U.S.-led occupation forces or Iraqis. Interior Minister Falah Hassan al-Naqib told reporters, offering few details.

The security plan announced by Allawi focused on a strengthening of the Iraqi military, bolstering its role in fighting the insurgency. U.S. administrators had envisaged the military as a small force, meant solely to deal with external threats rather than violence within Iraq's borders.

Allawi said the May 2003 decision by U.S. occupation chief L. Paul Bremer to disband the Iraqi army was a mistake. The Iraqi army, once the largest and among the best-equipped in the Arab world, began a long decline after losing the 1991 Gulf War.

The army all but disintegrated during the U.S.-led invasion in 2003, its barracks and weapons stores looted and tanks, planes and other hardware destroyed.

Now, Allawi intends to resurrect aspects of Iraq's former military, enlarging the overall army while creating police and paramilitary units focused on fighting terrorists and insurgents and controlling riots.

The paramilitary Iraqi Civil Defense Corps — which U.S. administrators created as a force distinct from the military to battle insurgents — would be redesignated as a national guard force and placed under army control, along with border guards and other independent units.

The country will also build an army special forces capacity and an Iraqi Intervention Force for counterinsurgency operations.

The chief duties of Iraq's fledgling air force, with just two small



Iraqi interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi, in dark suit, walks under heavy guard near Musayib, Iraq, southwest of Baghdad on Saturday. Allawi visited the site of an irrigation canal that has been ruined by oil seeping into the groundwater after an oil pipeline attack about one month ago.

surveillance aircraft in its inventory, will be to monitor pipelines, electrical transmission lines and borders, Allawi said.

As a last resort, Allawi said he would send Iraq's army, meant to protect the country against foreign invasion, to fight the guerrillas. "They are trying to destroy our country and we are not going to allow this," he said.

Allawi said his ministers are also discussing the imposition of emergency law in parts of Iraq. "We might impose some kind of martial law in some places if necessary in accordance with the law and in respect to the human rights and the international law," he said.

Sen. Joseph Biden, the top Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, expressed concern over the idea of martial law, saying Iraqi troops were not strong enough to enforce it and that U.S. forces could be dragged into doing so. "I'm not so crazy about this," Biden, who met Allawi during a one-day visit to Iraq on Saturday, said on ABC's "This Week."

"A government should never lay down an order they can't enforce. I am positive that Allawi is not in a position to enforce such a law now, without the United States doing it," he said. Biden urged NATO countries, particularly France and Germany, to

help Iraq on security. Refusal to do would be "irresponsible," he said.

As part of the restructuring, Allawi announced creation of a ministerial-level national security committee, including among others the ministers of defense, interior, foreign affairs, justice, and finance. Allawi said he discussed the revamping with U.S. Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, who is visiting Iraq this week.

U.S. Army Lt. Gen. Thomas F. Metz, commander of Multinational Corps Iraq, will retain overall control of Iraq's security, even after Iraqis regain sovereignty on June 30.

## Insurgents strike Iraqi troops in attack near airport in Baghdad

By CHRIS TOMLINSON  
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Attackers laying in wait for Iraqi troops deto-

nated a roadside bomb on the dangerous road leading to Baghdad's airport Sunday, killing 11 Iraqi soldiers and wounding 11 others.

American troops took the Iraqi

wounded to a U.S. aid station for treatment and waited together with them as the wounded were treated. Iraqi soldiers wept and hugged their U.S. comrades.

Also Sunday, U.S. forces clashed with insurgents in Samarra, striking back with helicopters gunships after guerrillas fired mortars into a residential neighborhood.

U.S. 1st Infantry Division spokesman Maj. Neal O'Brien said at least four insurgents were killed.

In Bagdaha, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad, insurgents fired mortar shells into a residential area striking a home and killing a husband and wife, Iraqi authorities said.

The U.S. military said an American Marine was killed in action Saturday in Anbar province, which includes Ramadi and Fallujah.

A mortar round also injured six police officers and four Iraqis in a separate attack Sunday near the Iraqi central bank in the heart of Baghdad.

U.S. soldiers accompanying

the Iraqis on the often-attacked airport road said the Americans had just passed a traffic circle with the Iraqis behind them when assassins set off the roadside bomb.

"The hardcore terrorists don't care who they kill," said Lt. Col. Tim Ryan, commander of the 2nd Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment. "These guys are bigger targets than we are now."

Insurgents have hammered Iraqi security forces to discourage volunteers from bolstering security forces straining to create stability before the interim government assumes power June 30.

Struggling to counter the mounting violence, interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi appealed Sunday for international help for his beleaguered forces and said that the government was considering "emergency law" in certain, unspecified regions to bring the situation under control.

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# Senators seek international help in Iraq

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — U.S. senators strongly criticized France and Germany, saying Iraq needs more international help including the support of NATO to provide security after the transfer of political control on month's end.

If we don't hand over the capacity for this sovereign government to be secure within its own borders and to be at peace with itself, then we're going to inherit a circumstance in Iraq that is equally as dangerous to us" as having ousted President Saddam Hussein, D-Del. in power, said Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del.

"It's time for NATO, and particularly the French and the Germans, to act more responsibly now, notwithstanding their frustration with President Bush," said Biden, one of three senators who met with Iraq's interim prime minister, Iyad Allawi, in Baghdad on Saturday.

Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, asked about the refusal to say by France and Germany to make new troops available and help resolve Iraq's large foreign debt, said: "It's really time that they do step up."

Sen. Lindsey Graham, who joined Biden on the trip to Iraq, said he agreed with Biden's call for more involvement by France and Germany and an active role for the military alliance.

"The one thing you learn when you go to Iraq (is) that this is a world problem if we fail. It could be a world success if we succeed. But the international community has a chance to be helpful at a time when Iraq needs it the most," said Graham, a Republican who appeared with Biden on ABC's "This Week."

Graham said the U.S.-led coalition made mistakes after the war that deposed Saddam, among them underestimating the number of people needed on the ground and the difficulty of securing international cooperation.

"We have made it difficult at times to get international cooperation. But that's in the past. It is now time for NATO to help where NATO can," Graham said. "We need so many services, the Iraq people do, that could turn this thing on a dime."

Frist, who also visited Iraq recently, told "Fox News Sunday" that it was time for other countries "to step up and to aggressively, I think, come to the table in Iraq. I'd like to see NATO come forward somewhat more aggressively."

President Bush, at the Group of Eight Summit this month on Sea Island, Ga., discussed the possibility of an expanded role for NATO in Iraq, and Bush said he would discuss an alliance summit June 28-29 in Turkey.

Sixteen of the 26 NATO members have troops in Iraq and the alliance provides logistical help for a Polish-led division in the country.

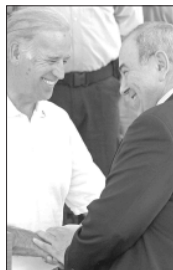
The Bush administration would like the alliance to take on additional duties, such as training Iraq's new army and sending more troops. Biden, top Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said he thinks U.S. forces will have to stay in Iraq "well through December 2005, American military commanders would be aware that there is going to have to be a surge of forces" as January's elections approach.

He said it is going to take more time, energy and money to get allies to help train Iraqi forces.

"The idea that we're going to have an Iraqi police force that's competent and an Iraqi military force that's competent to take care of their own security in the next six months to a year is totally unrealistic," Biden said.

The coalition should reach out to the major world powers to entice them "to participate in various ways to deal the here," Biden said.

As for the U.S. presence, Biden said, "We cannot have additional American troops. But we're not going to be in a position where we have fewer American troops."



U.S. Senator Joseph Biden, left, is greeted by Iraq's interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi during a fact-finding mission Saturday in Baghdad.

## U.S. makes deal with town leader

BY FISNIK ABRAHIM  
The Associated Press

BAQOUBA, Iraq — The U.S. military handed security responsibility back to local leaders in the nearby town of Baquba on Sunday after hammering Sunni Muslim insurgents in three days of clashes that killed 19 militants and one U.S. servicemember.

The deal calls for American troops to pull back — and for Iraqi police to step in — establishing security in the town of 40,000, U.S. military officials said.

Similar arrangements have been reached in Najaf, Fallujah and elsewhere in Iraq where the Americans have stepped back and allowed Iraqi forces to assume greater security roles following clashes with insurgents.

That could become the pattern across much of the country as the U.S.-run coalition hands over sovereignty to an interim Iraqi government June 30.

"Our goal here in 10 days will be to turn the full sovereignty here in Iraq," said Col. Dene H.H. Pittard, the commander of the 3rd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division. "If we cannot trust the police for maintaining control of order, then who can I trust?"

Under the plan, local security forces will conduct patrols and keep insurgents at bay while the Americans will hang back and conduct only sporadic patrols. The Americans reserved the right to return in force should their patrols be struck upon, Pittard said.

The deal was framed after hours of talks in the nearby city of Baqouba, which is 35 miles northeast of the capital, Baghdad.

"We have been given guarantees by the chief of police and the

local leaders that they will maintain order and we will respect that," Pittard said.

The clashes in Baquba began Wednesday when insurgents fired on U.S. troops after they had wrapped up a meeting with the mayor to discuss reconstruction projects. Two days of intense fighting that followed killed at least 19 insurgents and a U.S. soldier, Pittard said.

Gen. Walid Abdul-Salaam, chief of police for the Diyala province, said 13 civilians were killed and 34 wounded during the fighting.

Fighters often do not take their wounded or dead to local hospitals, out of fear of arrest by U.S. authorities.

Pittard accused Saddam Hussein's sympathizers for leading the insurgency in the area.

"The vast majority of the insurgents are the former regime elements," he said.

But he also added that members of the Jordanian-born militant Abu Musab al-Zarqawi's network are known to be operating in the area.

"Diyala is like a wasteland to his network," Pittard said.

Al-Zarqawi, a Jordanian-born terrorist with suspected links to al-Qaida, is believed to be operating in Iraq and masterminding a series of car bomb attacks that have targeted security forces in the weeks before the handover.

The American military launched a strike Sunday against what U.S. officials said was a suspected safehouse for the Jordanian-born militant's group in the southern city of Fallujah. At least 16 people were killed in the strike.

## Iraqis turning to Viagra to combat stress of war

BAGHDAD — Life is violent, minds are frayed and the little blue pill is selling big on Sadoon Street.

"People are depressed, so they need Viagra and other drugs to give them interest in sex," said Talib Abdul-Amir Shebany, a pharmacist who tracks the changing ailments of Iraqis in a war ledger on his desk. "Viagra sales have at least doubled since the war began. Lives are not good. There's bombs and tension. When you see bodies and destroyed houses, you have psychological disturbances that affect sexual desire."

Emotional demons and persistent stress have disturbed the rhythm of life, from eating to having sex, in the war-torn Iraq. But a burgeoning black market in medicines and increased freedom of expression have allowed Iraqis to experiment with pills and remedies to fix what has gone wrong. Viagra and its copycats — Kamagra from India, Novagra from Britain and Vigra from the U.S. — have been available for several years, but importation was limited, taxed and heavily regulated by the former Iraqi Health Ministry.

Those barriers are gone. Drugs are cheaper — four Kamagra tablets sell for \$1 — and women in the tribal, patriarchal society will whisper their husbands' dysfunctions into the pharmacist's ear. "The Quran does not forbid Viagra," Shebany said. "In Islam, if a man can't sexually satisfy his wife, she can ask for a divorce. Viagra helps prevent this disaster."

"My sales of the Viagra and other sex medicines are much bigger now," said Hamid Baiaty, standing under a fan in the Sadoon Pharmacy. "For young men, the war brought democracy and freedom and more time for sex. The repression is gone. People are getting more open about it, although some still ask for the 'blue tablet' because they're embarrassed."

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## IN THE WORLD

# Algeria eliminates top Islamic militant

## Sweep by army units yields other terrorists blamed in bombings

BY HASSANE MEFTAH  
The Associated Press

ALGIERS, Algeria — Troops killed one of North Africa's most wanted Islamic militants, who had sought to link his bloody insurgent movement in Algeria to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terror network, the military said Sunday.

The death of Nabil Sahraoui, head of the Salafist Group for Call and Combat, marked a major victory for Algerian government efforts to suppress Islamic militant violence and left his armed extremist organization with no clear leader.

Sahraoui and three of his lieutenants were killed in a "vast anti-terrorist operation" that continues in the Kabylie region east of the capital, Algiers, the army general staff said in a statement.

The sweep by army units "killed numerous criminals. Among these terrorists figures the criminal Nabil Sahraoui," the statement said. Newspaper reports said Sahraoui was killed late Thursday or early Friday.

The Salafist Group, known by its French acronym GSPC, is one of two groups that have led a violent insurgency against Algeria's military-backed government since 1992. More than 120,000 Algerians have been killed in insurgent violence and government campaigns to suppress it.

GSPC and the Armed Islamic Group, from which it split in 1998, are blamed for bombings, rapes and massacres. But the Salafists have been diminished in recent months under government offensives.

Sahraoui, who was in his mid- to late-30s, took over leadership of the Salafist group last year and declared its allegiance to al-Qaida.

That raised concerns that the Salafists could become a dangerous affiliate of al-Qaida and launch terrorist attacks beyond their North African territory.

Sahraoui is not known to have been behind attacks outside Algeria. But bin Laden's network has made inroads into Algeria. A Yemeni al-Qaida lieutenant, Ennad Abdelwahid Ahmed Alwan, was killed in a September 2002 gun battle about 270 miles east of Algiers.

Authorities said he had met with Salafists and was managing operations for al-Qaida in North Africa.

Sahraoui's death left open the possibility of a leadership fight within the Salafists.

Among the militants killed along with Sahraoui was Abbi Abdelaziz, also known as "Oikacha the paratrooper," who had been seen as a potential successor. The army said troops also netted weapons, munitions and documents in the sweep.

The Salafists' actual strength is unknown, although experts believe the group is small, with several hundred fighters, and is fragmented into autonomous brigades. The State Department added the group to its list of foreign terrorist groups in 2002.

"The influence of the GSPC has been steadily eroded by security initiatives within Algeria, in the pan-Sahara region and of course within Europe," said Magnus Ranstorp, director of the Centre for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence at St. Andrews University in Scotland.

Sahraoui's death "will leave a little bit of a vacuum within the GSPC, particularly internally within Algeria, and may make it difficult for them to resuscitate," he said in a telephone interview.

Sahraoui had a reputation for ruthlessness, stemming partly from a campaign of killings he ran against a now-defunct insurgent group, the Islamic Salvation Army, after it called a cease-fire with the Algerian government in 1997.

The daily Liberté said a forensic police team identified Sahraoui's body. The newspaper Le Soir said nearly 3,000 soldiers were involved in the sweep in wooded mountains in the Bejaia region of Kabylie, some 160 miles east of Algiers.

## India, Pakistan to establish nuclear hot line

BY NEELESH MISRA  
The Associated Press

NEW DELHI — India and Pakistan announced Sunday they would establish a new hot line to reduce the risk of nuclear war and reaffirmed their moratorium on conducting nuclear tests, a step forward in efforts to normalize relations between the long-time South Asian rivals.

In a joint statement at the conclusion of two days of talks in the Indian capital, officials said the dedicated secure hot line between the two countries' foreign secretaries was intended to "prevent misunderstandings and reduce risks relevant to nuclear issues."

The joint statement said an existing hot line between directors-general of military operations in both countries also would be upgraded and secured.

Both sides, which have gone to war three times since independence from Britain in 1947, also reaffirmed their moratorium on conducting further nuclear tests, "unless, in exercise of national sovereignty, it decides that extraordinary events have jeopardized its supreme interests."

"We are moving ahead step by step. Whatever we agree to do, we must implement. That is the spirit," Pakistani Foreign Ministry spokesman Masood Khan told reporters in New Delhi.

India and Pakistan carried out nuclear tests in May 1998, provoking military and economic sanctions by the United States and its allies. International fears of a nuclear confrontation were exacerbated when the two countries fought in the Himalayas in 1999, and came close to war again in mid-2002 when India blamed Pakistan for a terrorist attack on its Parliament.

## Celebrating the birth of an empire



Above: Muslim warriors, known as the Courtesans of the Sultan of Sokoto, participate in the Durbat festival in Sokoto, Nigeria, on Sunday. The festival celebrates the 200th anniversary of a holy war that launched the sub-Saharan's greatest Islamic empire and urged an end to increasing Christian-Muslim violence that killed thousands here.

Right: Courtesans of the Sultan of Sokoto play traditional music on Sunday during the festival.

AP photos



## Japan vows to quash human trafficking

The Associated Press

TOKYO — Japan plans new laws to comply with an international pact against human trafficking, after the United States warned that Tokyo's efforts against the problem were insufficient, a news report said Sunday.

The U.S. State Department's annual report on the problem, released last week, said the Japanese government doesn't comply with "the minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking."

Japan signed the United Nations Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons in December 2002, according to the Foreign Ministry's Web site.

But critics say Japan has done little to address the protocol's requirements, such as making it a criminal offense to traffic humans, transport people for sexual exploitation or trade in human body parts for transplants.

Japanese law doesn't explicitly ban such activities. Authorities have occasionally charged human traffickers instead under anti-prostitution, child labor and immigration laws.

Alarmed by the stingy U.S. rebuke, the government is planning to comply with the U.N. protocol by introducing a new set of laws, public broadcaster NHK said, citing unidentified government sources.

The new legislation would specifically make the buying and selling people and their transport to Japan a criminal offense, NHK said.

# Tailors' prices fit many

## Bangkok shop draws dignified customer base

BY DENIS D. GRAY  
The Associated Press

BANGKOK, Thailand — Jesse and Victor Gulati insist word-of-mouth is all the advertising they need for their hole-in-the-wall tailor shop. And who's arguing when you have President Bush hearing endorsements from a regular customer — his dad.

A stop at Rajawongse Clothier has, over the years, become a must for visiting statesmen, ambassadors and generals, along with some of the world's top spies and secret service agents who "like their suits a bit loose," Victor notes.

The shop's back wall is covered with letters of appreciation and photographs of happy customers such as the Bushes, presidential hopeful Sen. John Kerry, U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge and Nancy Reagan, whose aide thanked the Gulas for coming to the former First Lady's assistance at the last minute.

Rajawongse is among hundreds of Bangkok tailor shops. Most of the tailors are geared to what Jesse, the 54-year-old family patriarch, somewhat condescendingly calls "the tourist trade." Prices may be bargain-basement, but buttons tend to pop and collars wilt after a few wearings.

Then there are a handful of world-class masters like the Gulas, who have built up a loyal clientele over 43 years through quality



Andrew Scott of Alexandria, Va., is fitted by Victor Gulati at the Rajawongse tailor shop in Bangkok, Thailand. The shop is popular with visiting statesmen, ambassadors, generals and U.S. presidents.

craftsmanship, reasonable price tags and a friendly, smooth-as-silk service in perfect English.

"Morning, Andrew," says Jesse's son Victor, as he greets a longtime customer, a U.S. State Department official traveling through Southeast Asia who's dropped by to have one suit, three pants and three shirts made.

Both father and son have a knack for instantly recalling names and faces of customers they may not have seen for a decade.

"It's the best value in the world," says the diplomat Andrew Scott, of Alexandria, Va., emerging from a tiny fitting room. "They make great stuff in Italy but you'll pay \$1,000 a suit."

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apiece.

Low overhairs, the Gulas say, keep prices down. Rajawongse does "zero advertising" although its profile is heightened by sponsorship of local charities, and a recent Web site has brought in substantial business.

The shop is hardly attractive enough to snare walk-ins along Bangkok's touristy Sukhumvit Road. Set in a row of nondescript shophouses, it consists of one narrow room stacked with

bolts of cloth.

The family set up there in 1974, having started their business 14 years earlier near a U.S. Air Force base in the northeastern city of Ubon. This was the Vietnam War era, which spawned a generation of entrepreneurs catering to American troops in the tourism, sex and tailoring trades.

Among them was Jesse's now deceased father, a Sikh who had immigrated to Thailand from India and whose four sons and daughter followed him into the business. One of the sons, Raja, later set up Raja's Tailor, located around the corner from Rajawongse, and likewise has assembled an impressive international clientele.

During the war years, the Gulas' reputation and the U.S. military caught the attention of the American embassy in Bangkok, bringing about their relocation from the provinces.

"We dress pretty much the whole embassy now, from the Marine guard to the ambassador" says 26-year-old Victor, a business administration graduate who's worked with his father since the age of 15.

It was an ambassador who recommended Rajawongse to the senior Bush, who brought measurements to have suits cut for all his sons while on a 1999 Bangkok visit. President Bush made contact during last October's summit of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum, ordering two suits, gray and blue, plus five shirts.

Jesse, who even breakfasted with the president, says it took Rajawongse six months to fill orders for some 1,000 suits from summit participants. A number came from a loyal customer, a senior espionage official from Western nations and secret service agents who accompanied the VIPS.

# Police break up fracas on British reality show

BY JANE WARDELL  
The Associated Press

LONDON — Big Brother wanted conflict. Big Brother got conflict. And how.

Several early morning viewers of the reality TV show phoned the police this week, when insults, threats and a kitchen implement started flying in a booby house that left the set a shambles.

Hertfordshire Police reviewed tapes of the incident with an eye for criminal charges, and a university criminologist severed his ties with the show Friday as behavioral experts blamed the production company's pursuit of ratings for the fracas.

Faced with flagging popularity for a tired format, producer Endemol came up with the slogan "Big Brother Gets Evil" for this fifth series. The house was made smaller to encourage discomfort, and the 12 contestants — including a political activist, an aspiring topless model, a former asylum seeker from Somalia and a transsexual — had little in common.

The volatile combination of different personalities and dirty tricks proved explosive and security guards were sent into the house to break up the fighting.

London's Channel 4, which broadcasts the show, cut the live TV feed, but several horrified viewers saw enough to contact police. OFCOM, the government's media watchdog, is also investigating after receiving complaints from viewers.

Behavior experts said the brawling was an inevitable — and possibly planned — result of a fake eviction last week.

The contestants left in the house believed that a general administrator Emma Greenwood, 20, and aspiring model Michelle Bass, 23, had been thrown out after a public vote.

They were in fact placed in a studio apartment on the same site

and allowed to observe the others for a week, hearing several negative comments about themselves.

The play tricks on the other contestants. They took revenge on their greatest critics by giving one a series of cold showers, placing eggs in the bed of another and cooking a chili chocolate cake for a third. They were returned to the house late Wednesday evening, triggering a confrontation.

Greenwood hurried insults at student Victor Ebuwa, 23, whom she had seen accusing her of being stupid, boring and racist. She launched a serving tray at him, and he retaliated by pouring a glass of wine over her and shouting threats.

Bodybuilder Jason Cowen, 30, screamed at 21-year-old stunt Marco Sabba, who had instigated a food fight with Greenwood: "I'll knock you out! I'll take your head off, end of story."

Greenwood was isolated on the set in solitary confinement on Friday.

"Putting a group of strangers together in a tiny house is bad enough," said Cary Cooper, professor of psychology at Lancaster University. "Take some of them into isolation and show them what people say about them when they're not there, and things are likely to explode."

But it paid off in ratings. Seven million viewers tuned in to watch the fracas on a highlights show Thursday evening, representing a huge surge in ratings after a big drop-off following similar figures for the launch show on May 28. The show's Web site slowed to a crawl Friday as it tried to cope with thousands of hits.

The incident prompted professor David Wilson, a criminologist at the University of Central England in Birmingham who was a consultant with the show, to quit. Wilson said it was now "inappropriate" for him to be associated with the program.

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## IN THE STATES

## Olympic torch tours Big Apple

9/11 survivor among those carrying flame

BY DESMOND BUTLER

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Crowds cheered across New York's five boroughs Saturday as the Olympic torch made a 34-mile journey through the city, which was recently named as one of the final finalists to host the 2012 Summer Games.

Gold-medal gymnast Nadia Comaneci carried the Olympic torch along the last leg, arriving in Times Square shortly before midnight.

"Outsized crowds and overflowing hearts — that's what New York is all about," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said at the relay's conclusion.

Comaneci glided across the square suspended from a cable and was lowered onto a platform where she lit the flame.

Gold-medal-winning long jumper Bob Beamon began the torch's tour, following a ceremony at a park in Queens earlier Saturday.

Beamon held the Olympic flame aloft as hundreds of spectators in the nation's most heavily Greek-American neighborhood cheered wildly, waving Greek flags.

"It's fitting that the New York City leg of the torch relay kicks off from Queens — our most diverse borough in the most diverse city in the world," said Bloomberg, who was joined by actress Melina Kanakaredes.

New York is the 14th city on the torch's five-continent world tour, which began March 25 when it was lit at the temple of Hera in Olympia, Greece.

Beamon was followed by more than 120 torchbearers along a route highlighted by a ferry ride past New York's original flame, the Statue of Liberty.

"It feels great," said Brooklyn community activist Bryan Pu-Folkes, clutching the torch aboard a ferry cruising through New York Harbor. "It's an honor to be part of this human chain that's going around the world."

To the slight embarrassment of its chaperones, the torch went out a couple of times in Pu-Folkes' hands. But it was quickly re-lit from a nearby lamp that re-ignites the chain of fire from Olympia, Greece.

Thronges of fans cheered and ran along sidewalks as the flame was passed from carrier to carrier. In Harlem, New York Knicks center Dikembe Mutombo carried the torch past the brownstones and apartment buildings lining Saint Nicholas Avenue.

"This is such a unique event," said Mutombo, high-fiving a group of children. "It happens only once in a lifetime and I'm glad I was able to participate."

The torch also was carried past Yankee Stadium in the Bronx and through Central Park on its way to the United Nations, where Secretary-General Kofi Annan received the torch and lit a cauldron to keep the flame alive.

Among other scheduled torch carriers was Lauren Manning, a senior vice president of Cantor Fitzgerald who survived the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.



Aref Assaf, foreground right, from the Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee, and Huma Hasan, foreground left, join other Arab-Americans in a moment of silence Saturday in Paterson, N.J., for Paul Johnson Jr., who was beheaded Friday by militants in Saudi Arabia.

## Hometown mourns for slain hostage

BY JEFF LINKOWS

The Associated Press

EALESWOOD TOWNSHIP, N.J. — For days, childhood friends and residents had prayed for the safe return of Paul Johnson Jr. A day after learning of his beheading by militants in Saudi Arabia, residents responded with grief and fond memories of him.

"He was a good child, a good boy, a good man," Fred Griffin, 76, said Saturday, recalling the man who grew up a few houses away in this rural town.

Johnson's family remained in seclusion. Relatives who had gathered since he was taken hostage a week earlier issued a statement Friday that was delivered by an FBI agent. In it, they asked for privacy and commended authorities in their failed attempts to save Johnson.

Johnson, 49, had worked on Apache helicopters for Lockheed Martin and had lived in Saudi Arabia for more than a decade.

He was kidnapped by militants who followed through on a threat to kill him by Friday if the kingdom did not release its al-Qaida prisoners. An al-Qaida group claiming responsibility posted an Internet message that showed photographs of a beheaded body.

Hours later, Saudi security forces tracked down and killed the

leader of the terrorist group and three other people, according to Saudi and U.S. officials.

Saudi police said Sunday they are continuing their search for Johnson's body and the militants involved in his death.

Saturday's activities in the township were tinged with awareness of Johnson's fate. Red, white and blue ribbons joined the yellow ones that had adorned utility poles through the week.

"Help pick our communities and towns up after everything that has happened to the Johnson family," Dennis Seeley Jr., the fire department chaplain, said in a prayer before the annual lawn-mower races that took place in a field behind the local firehouse.

Later, Seeley said residents were beset by a mix of painful emotions, and some were expressing anti-Arab sentiments.

"A lot of people are angry, a lot of people are sad and a lot of people are hurt," Seeley said.

At a park in Paterson, N.J., about 100 miles to the north, about 25 Muslims gathered to condemn the killing.

"We stand here today mourning the loss of an innocent fellow American," said Huma Hasan, a consultant with the New Jersey Outreach Group. "Equally, we are here today ... to tell the world that this murder does not represent the tenets of Islam."

Erek Roberts carries the Olympic flame over the Brooklyn Bridge during the Athens 2004 Olympic Torch Relay on Saturday in New York. The Olympic flame is traveling to 34 cities in 27 countries en route to the Athens 2004 Olympic Games.

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# Doctors give two new lives

## Conjoined twins separated in emotional surgery

BY TAMARA JONES

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Surgeons at Children's Hospital in Washington successfully separated 4-month-old girls conjoined at the chest and abdomen in an emotional daylong operation Saturday that their grateful parents described as "the best Father's Day gift ever."

Cheers and applause broke out in the crowded operating room as lead surgeon Gary Hartman snipped through the last centimeter of tissue connecting Jade and Erin Buckles.

Grinning broadly, the hospital's chief of surgery, Kurt Newman, emerged just 2½ hours after the first incision was made.

"You've now got two babies that are separate and they're both doing well," Newman told Kevin and Melissa Buckles, who spent the day anxiously waiting in a hospital playroom, isolated from other patients and families.

Melissa Buckles, 30, a high school teacher, buried her head and cried on the shoulder of her husband, 34, a Marine whose bloodshot eyes reflected the sleepless night the Woodbridge, Va., couple had spent in the hospital after the twins were admitted Friday.

"I thank you so much," Melissa Buckles told Newman.

"This is probably the best Father's Day gift ever," she said, echoing a hope Kevin Buckles voiced days earlier.

The babies were reported to be in critical condition in separate isolettes in an intensive care unit, where their recovery was expected to last a few weeks to a few months, depending on complications. The hospital has estimated the cost of their care at upward of \$1.5 million. Prepping, surgical separation, closing the wounds and stabilizing the girls took about eight hours.

"We know they're still not necessarily out of the woods," said Kevin Buckles, an assistant drum major in the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps who made a friend promise before the surgery that he would play taps for the girls if they died on the operating table.

The 22-inch-long babies were each left with a 6½-inch wound from sternum to bellybutton, leaving them vulnerable to infection.

Erin was first out of the operating room. In the intensive care unit, her parents leaned over her bandaged body. "Hi, sweetheart," Melissa said, stroking the baby's thigh. "We love you."

Jade and Erin were delivered by Caesarean section Feb. 26 at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md.

Surgeons encountered fewer complications than anticipated, Newman said. The girls' large, shared liver was easily divided, and the hearts turned out to share only a small bridge of tissue. As diagnostic tests had revealed, the tip of Erin's heart protruded into Jade's chest. The organ proved more maneuverable than expected, however, and was tucked back into Erin's chest.

The twins were expected to need reconstructive surgery as they mature.

The Buckleses have a 2-year-old daughter, Taylor, and Kevin Buckles shares custody of son Kevin Jr., 11, who asked to stay home during the operation and be briefed by telephone. The pigtailed Taylor, wearing a pink "Big Sister" T-shirt, spent the day at the hospital, distracting her mother with games of hide-and-seek in the waiting room. Kevin Buckles tried to take his mind off the agonizing wait by studying books on Combat Technician for an upcoming promotion exam.

"Handing off the girls was probably the most difficult thing I ever had to do," Melissa Buckles admitted. "It's hard to prepare for something like this."

Before surgery, the Buckleses tape-recorded the girls cooing and gurgling to each other, and Melissa misted a baby blanket with her perfumed body spray.

Conjoined twins are considered the rarest of human births, with only 700 sets born alive in recorded history.

David Brown of The Washington Post contributed to this story.



THE WASHINGTON POST/LATPAP

Kevin and Melissa Buckles and their children Taylor, 2, and Kevin Jr., 11, visit Jade and Erin after a procedure at Children's Hospital in Washington to implant expanders to stretch the conjoined twins' skin.

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# Va. student found at school loading a gun

The Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Va. — A 12-year-old boy charged with bringing guns into a middle school was found out because an assistant principal making rounds heard a cartridge being popped into a rifle inside a bathroom stall, a newspaper reported.

Assistant Principal Jamie Addington, who is a hunter, "knew instinctively" that he had heard the sound of a gun being loaded, his wife, Sherry, told The Washington Post.

Sherry Addington said her husband looked over the stall Friday and saw the boy with a loaded .30-06 rifle, another rifle and a shotgun. Shocked, he called police while the school quickly implemented an emergency plan.

With police on their way, Bull Run Middle School Principal William Bixby announced over the school loudspeaker that there was a student with a gun in the school, that a lockdown was being initiated and that students should get under their desks.

No one was hurt and no shots were fired, but the situation had parents and students shaking their heads in disbelief as they returned to the school Saturday to collect items left behind after school officials eventually evacuated the building.

Police charged the boy with possession

of a firearm on school property, possession of a firearm by a minor and other charges. He was expected to be arraigned Monday in juvenile court.

Naomi Lewis, 38, a cafeteria worker at Bull Run, was charged with possession of a firearm on school property. Her arraignment also was set for Monday.

Police have refused to say whether Lewis is related to the boy, but news reports have identified her as his mother. Investigators said Lewis saw the guns in her car after she drove with the boy to school, locked them in the vehicle, and told no one.

Police said the boy later used a key to retrieve the weapons without Lewis' knowledge.

Authorities said the boy was spotted with one of the guns and the rest were found later. Prince William County police recovered two rifles and a shotgun.

Friends, neighbors and fellow students described the boy as quiet and polite, but also said he was mercilessly teased about his weight, his glasses and his clothing.

They told the Post he talked at the start of the school year about wanting to take over the school, hold hostages and export money and a helicopter to fly him out of the country.

"Everybody thought he was joking," said one of the boy's best friends and neighbors, whose mother asked that neither she nor he be identified.

## Honoring fallen fathers



Participants place roses along the Vietnam Memorial during a Father's Day ceremony to honor Vietnam and Iraq war casualties in Washington on Sunday. Twelve hundred roses were placed at the memorial as part of the ceremony, organized by the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, which included sons and daughters of war victims.

## Navy vet kills police officer in shootout

The Associated Press

GRAND PRAIRIE, Texas — A Navy veteran who killed a police officer and wounded another during a standoff from his van was heavily armed and probably "had bigger plans," police said.

Timothy Joe Irwin, 42, had a pipe bomb, a pipe and fuse, a pistol, a semiautomatic handgun, an assault rifle and two loaded ammunition magazines with him in the van, Detective John Brimmer said Saturday.

"We don't know what was in his mind, but it appeared he had bigger plans," Brimmer said. "It doesn't look like he had just gone there to commit suicide."

The officers, Sgt. Gregory Hunter and Bruce Seix, had gone to a Wal-Mart parking lot Friday to check on a van that had been running all night.

Hunter, 54, went to the front of the vehicle and Seix to the side, the police said. Irwin shot Hunter at least twice through the front windshield. Seix, 44, was shot but returned fire, killing Irwin. Seix's arm and liver were injured by bullet fragments and his condition was upgraded from critical to fair Saturday, a hospital spokeswoman said.



THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS/AP

**Tactical officers surround a van in a Wal-Mart Supercenter parking lot during a standoff following the shooting of two police officers Friday in Grand Prairie, Texas.**

The shooting led to a six-hour standoff. When authorities eventually entered the van, they found Irwin dead.

Brimmer said Irwin was suffering from terminal cancer and had received a medical discharge from the Navy three years ago.

On Wednesday, Irwin told his parents he would never see them again and left in the van he had borrowed months ago from his former brother-in-law.

"He was in so much pain at the end, I don't think he wanted to suffer anymore," his father, Ed Irwin told The Dallas Morning News for its Saturday online edition.

## Piracy battle racked by deadly bust

NYC police kill innocent man in building housing illegal DVDs, CDs

BY TOM HAYS

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The entertainment industry tagged along when police raided a self-storage warehouse in Manhattan last year.

Private investigators hired by movie and recording industry groups had helped link a space in the warehouse to an alleged criminal operation running DVDs and compact discs. They were there when the officers moved in.

The teamwork might have gone unnoticed, if not for the raid's deadly outcome.

Undercover Officer Bryan Conroy was charged last week with manslaughter in the fatal shooting of Ousmane Zongo, an unarmed African immigrant working inside the warehouse who was not involved in the alleged pirating scheme.

The circumstances of the May 22, 2003, shooting remain murky.

According to his lawyer, Conroy told a grand jury that Zongo refused the orders to halt, struggled with him and tried to grab his gun.

An attorney in a multimillion-dollar wrongful death lawsuit filed by Zongo's family considers the industry groups potential defendants.

"We don't know yet what role they played, but it's something we'll be looking at very closely," said lawyer Sanford Rubenstein.

Police and industry officials insist tactics used in the counterfeiting investigation played no part in the shooting.

The industry's battle against the thriving black market for knockoff CDs and DVDs continues unabated.

The movie industry launched nearly 3,000 private investigations across the country in 2003 alone. The investigations resulted in the seizure of more than 500,000 counterfeit DVDs.

Last year, the recording industry association's anti-piracy unit took credit for seizing 5 million counterfeit CDs. Its private investigators teamed with local authorities in Chicago, Washington, Detroit and Jacksonville, Fla., for raids on clandestine "flats" that copy DVDs, CDs and videotapes.

In New York, the movie industry has six full-time investigators and two supervisors, Shannon said.

The investigators typically are retired NYPD detectives who conduct surveillance and tail suspects, but never participate in arrests.

In one recent case, industry investigators stalked out an address where they spotted suspects delivering boxes of blank CDs. On April 27, police armed with a search warrant raided the spot, arresting one person and seizing

29 CD burners and thousands of copies of movies like "Walking Tall," "Big Fish" and "Jeepers Creepers 2."

Police officials say trademark counterfeiters hurt legitimate business, rob the city of tax dollars and lure consumers into buying inferior goods — and, like illegal drug sales, can spur violent crime.

The Zongo case stemmed from the arrest of a man identified by private investigators as a piracy suspect. The man told police that knockoff goods were being stored in the warehouse in the Chelsea section of Manhattan.

Conroy, disguised as a delivery man, was one of 10 officers who converged on the warehouse where Zongo, 35, of Burkina Faso, was repairing African art and musical instruments.

The officers discovered thousands of bootleg CDs, DVDs and videos stacked inside two storage units. Conroy was guarding the cache when he encountered Zongo.

Though he had nothing to do with the case, Zongo ran away. He led Conroy on a winding chase through a labyrinth of hallways before being shot in the chest, abdomen and upper back.

There were no witnesses to the shooting.

If convicted, Conroy could face up to 15 years in prison.



# An up-close look at history

## Course delves into grassroots of civil rights movement

By LISA CORNWELL

The Associated Press

OXFORD, Ohio — A new generation of students is learning about the civil rights era by retracing the experiences of three activists slain by the Ku Klux Klan 40 years ago in Mississippi.

A course created jointly by the University of Mississippi and Miami University of Ohio offered high school and college students a chance to relive some of the preparations for 1964's "Freedom Summer" in which activists organized voter-registration drives in the South.

"It really hit home for me in the quiet times as I walked and reflected on the same campus and sat here in the same building where all those young people were preparing to risk their lives," said Carri Burghjohann, a high school student from suburban Cincinnati.

The 1964 project brought 800 mostly white college students to the former Western College for Women — now part of Miami University — to learn methods of non-violent resistance.

It was training they would need

*"It really hit home for me in the quiet times as I walked and reflected on the same campus and sat here in the same building where all those young people were preparing to risk their lives."*



Carri Burghjohann 16, left, and Michael Huggins, 15, right, rehearse a play at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. The play features students reading letters from civil rights workers who were living and working in Mississippi in the mid-1960s.

from New York City.

Their bodies were found later that summer in an earthen dam near Philadelphia, Miss., after they tried to investigate Klan violence

at a tiny black church. They had been beaten and shot. No one was ever tried for their slayings.

Students watched news footage of volunteers being trained to cover their heads and

faces and curl into fetal positions to protect themselves from blows.

They heard from Schwerner's brother and staged a performance of their own selections

from "Letters from Mississippi," a collection of personal letters volunteers wrote about their experiences.

The students also planned to attend a memorial service for the trio Sunday in Mississippi.

Michael Huggins, another high school student from suburban Cincinnati, said he admired the volunteers who continued to work after the murders.

"It must have taken a lot of courage to still go down there," he said.



Shancell Ward stacks white bread on shelves at a grocery store in Washington. Scientists say white bread and other refined grains seem to go to the gut and hang out as belly fat.

## Bread gut: An expanding problem

### Researchers say consuming refined grains increases waist circumference

By IRA DREYFUSS

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Many Americans are like a loaf of bread — soft, with one side round. Their choice of bread may be part of the reason.

Some researchers say white bread and other refined grains seem to go to the gut and hang out as belly fat.

"Waist circumference was very much associated with this high-refined grains pattern," said Katherine Tucker, an associate professor of nutritional epidemiology at Tufts University in Boston. She and other scientists are studying what happens to the bodies of people who eat lots of refined bread.

The researchers have tracked the eating habits of a group of healthy, largely middle-age people in Baltimore. The focus is on 459 people with a variety of eating habits. Some prefer refined grains; others favor whole grains, fruits and vegetables.

Refining removes the fibrous bran and oil-rich germ, leaving the sweeter endosperm, the whitish-colored meat of the kernel.

The Tufts researchers say calories from refined grains like to settle at the waist.

The belt size of the white bread group expanded about one-half inch a year, which probably put some of the research subjects into a larger size of pants over the three years they were tracked, Tucker said. At the end, the white bread group

had three times the fiber group's gain at the gut.

It is not surprising that the waists of refined-grain eaters expanded, said Dr. David Ludwig, director of the obesity program at Children's Hospital in Boston.

Ludwig was not connected to the Tufts study, but his research involving younger adults had found something similar. One of the factors he checked was the waist-to-hip ratio — whether people's torsos were more tapered or more round. People who ate less fiber were rounder.

Waist size is important for health as well as looks.

A person with a bigger gut has a higher risk of heart disease than a person who weighs the same but who does not carry extra weight around the belly.

Why that is and why refined grains would send more calories to the gut are a mystery. The Tufts researchers, who published their data in June of 2003, are seeking answers.

For consumers, white versus whole grain is not necessarily an either-or choice. About 70 percent of households have a white bread eater and about the same percentage have a whole wheat eater, according to a February report by the Mintel Group, a market research firm in Chicago.

Curbing carbohydrates as a way to rein in the insulin response is an important rationale for popular carb-cutting diets such as the Atkins and South Beach plans. As a result, dieters are giving up refined grains.

## EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Japanese yen (June 21)	107.00
S. Korean won (June 19)	1,327.00
Euro	\$1.24
British pound	\$1.88
Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	\$13.82
British pound	\$1.88
Canada (Dollar)	1.36
Denmark (Krone)	6.1678
Egypt (Pound)	1.36
Euro	\$1.24
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.89
Hungary (Forint)	211.15
Iceland (Krona)	22.06
Israel (Shekel)	4.8464
Japan (Yen)	108.15
Kuwait (Dinar)	6.2947
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	4.6541
Philippines (Peso)	56.43
Singapore (Dollar)	1.36
Singapore (Dollar)	1.7145
S. Korea (Won)	1,327.00
Switzerland (Franc)	1.2449
Taiwan (Dollar)	1.36
Turkey (Lira)	1,452.57

(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check with your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are inter-bank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one dollar, except for the British pound, which is represented in dollars and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)

## PRECIOUS METALS

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Gold	\$295.19
Silver	\$5.981

## INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	4.00
Discount rate	2.00
Federal funds market rate	1.00
3-month bill	1.77
30-year bond	5.38

Sources: The Associated Press, Bank of America, Bloomberg.com

## Cents and Sensibility

Money tip of the day

## Pension plan tools

Knight Ridder Tribune

A simplified employee pension (SEP) is a useful tool that allows small businesses to provide a pension plan for employees. A SEP essentially works like an individual retirement account, only it's easier to administer and requires no minimum contribution.

Several Web sites provide a wealth of information on how a SEP works.

Here are a few:

■ **401kHelpCenter.com.** Discusses how a SEP plan works, its advantages and frequently

asked questions for small businesses.

■ **InvestorGuide.com.** Offers brief overview about SEP contributions, eligibility and taxes.

■ **Quicken.com.** Features a concise explanation of a tax-deferred SEP retirement plan.

■ **U.S. Chamber of Commerce.** ([www.uschamber.com](http://www.uschamber.com)) Covers who should and should not set up a SEP.

■ **U.S. Department of Labor.** ([www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)) Contains wide range of SEP information, including establishing a plan, eligibility rules and advantages for employees.



# FACES 'N' PLACES

## 'Kill Bill' hits Moscow

Russia rolled out a blue carpet for movie industry celebrities, including director **Quentin Tarantino**, at the start of the 26th Moscow International Film Festival.

Film figures including Tarantino, whose "Kill Bill — Vol. 2" opens the festival on Friday, walked along a carpet stretched outside a downtown Moscow movie theater in a square named for Russian cultural legend **Alexander Pushkin**.

Those in attendance also included **Uma Thurman** and **David Caradine**, who co-star in Tarantino's film, as well as Moscow Mayor **Yuri Luzhkov** and Russian Communist Party leader **Gennady Zyuganov**.

Actresses **Meryl Streep** and **Isabelle Adjani** and Bosnian director **Emir Kusturica** also are expected to make an appearance at the festival, which ends June 27.

## Juneteenth Film Festival

Young black filmmakers are traveling to Dallas this week as organizers of the Juneteenth Film Festival search for the next **Spike Lee**.

The five-day festival features celebrities including **Steve Harvey** and **Erykah Badu**, more than 20 original films and \$50,000 in scholarships.

"We are focused on trying to attract the quality and depth of films that touch on the subjects of freedom, independence and racial issues," said **Kennedy Barnes**, a member of the festival's board of directors. "We encouraged the student filmmakers to submit films that were motivational or inspirational in keeping with the message of Juneteenth."



Badu

## Film on Turks wins Germany prize

The story of a young Turkish-German woman who marries a man she doesn't love to escape her conservative family took the top awards at the annual German Film Prize ceremony in Berlin.

"Gegen die Wand" ("Head On"), a bleak look at a pair of second generation Turks in Germany, won awards Friday for best film, best director for **Fatih Akin**, best actor for **Birol Uenal**, and best actress for **Shida Kerkli**.

The film also won the top prize at the Berlin Film Festival in February.

"Gegen die Wand" has been praised as one of a wave of new German films over the past several years that's revitalizing the domestic film industry.

"The young directors no longer see their roles as copying the... rituals of Hollywood," Culture Minister **Christina Weiss** said at the awards ceremony in Berlin. "They possess the courage to explain head-on complex stories in their own language."

Last year, the best film award went to "Good Bye, Lenin!" a huge hit in Germany about a devoted communist who emerges from a coma months after the fall of the Berlin Wall.

## Lil' Kim blocked from performance

A federal judge in New York on Friday blocked rapper **Lil' Kim** from performing at a music festival on the Caribbean beach of St. Kitts later this month.

The performer, who has used the stage name as **Kimberly Jones**, is barred from leaving the United States as part of a bail agreement in a shooting case. Judge **Gerard Lynch** scolded Jones — known for her revealing outfits and risqué lyrics — for having arrived in May to perform at the St. Kitts Music Festival. She had surrendered her passport in April after she was charged with lying to a grand jury about a 2001 shooting between "real rap groups at a New York hip-hop radio station."

Lil' Kim

Lil' Kim, who won a Grammy Award for her part in the hit remake of "Lady Marmalade" in 2001, was to perform at the music festival June 26 along with **Ginuwine** and **Busta Rhymes**.

# 'Saved!' anything but safe

## Film's take on evangelical Christians stirs debate

By **PATRICK GOLDSTEIN**

Los Angeles Times

HOLLYWOOD

Film critics have joked for years that if Martin Scorsese had made it through boyhood without being whacked over and over by a nun with a ruler he might never have made "Mean Streets" and "Taxi Driver." So it comes as no surprise that "Saved!" an irreverent comedy set in a Christian high school, is the product of a filmmaker who went to a school where listening to popular music was so verboten that for the senior prom, the school had a puppet show instead of a dance.

"We'd sit in these assemblies where we'd hear about a girl who'd squeezed a pimple and died and she went to hell because she hadn't been saved," explains "Saved!" director **Brian Dannelly**, who co-wrote the film — which opened last month — with **Michael Urban** when the two were students at the American Film Institute. "We not only couldn't listen to music, we even had record burnings. I remember once we had to count the number of orgasms in Donna Summer's 'Love to Love You Baby.'"

Dannelly had a similar experience; at his Christian camp, the kids discussed the Ten Commandments and Kiss videos. So when they set about writing a film that would examine the evangelical movement through the prism of a teen comedy, they knew they'd be walking into a cultural battle zone.

When the boyfriend of the film's heroine, **Mary**, played by **Jena Malone**, tells her that he thinks he's gay, Jesus appears before her, urging her to do everything possible to help him. The teens proceed to have sex, and she gets pregnant. What happens next prompts a crisis of faith and an avalanche of comic complications.

The director knew it was a hoary high-school movie cliché to see the girls eagerly checking out the hot new guy in class. "So the first image I had for 'Saved!'," Dannelly says, "was a kid with a gold lame leotard on a cross, and this girl is looking up at him and her eyes travel down from his face to ..."

The film is full of satirical mischief, but you'd have to be awfully thick-skinned to call it harsh or mean-spirited. Judging from e-mail comments about the film from movie Web sites, many younger Christians have embraced "Saved!" viewing it as no more subversive than "Mean Girls." As Variety's critic noted, many of the film's teens have "a humanity and tenderness beneath their characters"



From left, **Roland (Macaulay Culkin)**, **Cassandra (Eva Amurri)** and **Mary (Jena Malone)** eat lunch in the school cafeteria in the United Artists comedy "Saved!"

trashy fad ages."

Basing the movie on personal experiences didn't protect the filmmakers from the wrath of conservative religious leaders, who see its sendups of flawed but generally well-meaning Christians as an indictment of religion on a grand scale.

**William Donahue**, Catholic League president, didn't just criticize the movie; he baldly predicted it would bomb at the box office. (In fact, it did a very respectable \$2.2 million per screen over the Memorial Day weekend, in limited release.) **Cal Thomas**, whose column is syndicated in 550 newspapers, said the film appears to mock Jesus Christ, "or at least satirize his followers, portraying them as hypocrites and superficial underheads, which is how most of Hollywood sees Christians."

The Rev. **Jerry Falwell** said he was saddened to see Christians portrayed as "virtual nitwits," adding that "modern-day America and Hollywood frequently takes on a singular and hostile temperament in regard to Christians. It is the equivalent of reckless racial profiling that endangers people solely because of their skin color."

However, the complaints come from some of the very people who were most upset when New York Times columnist **Frank Rich** and various Jewish leaders raised the specter of "The Passion of the Christ" as a potential worldwide threat to Jews before seeing the film. Few of the outraged commentators bothered to see "Saved!" before damning it as anti-Christian. At least "The Passion's" critics tried to see the movie; the Jews were kept away by **Mel Gibson's** handlers.

Eager to drum up interest and controversy, the marketing staff at MGM, which is distributing the film, screened it for everyone from evangelicals to gays. In February, they sent copies of the finished film to a host of opinion-makers, ranging from **Rush Limbaugh**, **Bill O'Reilly** and **Republican House**

leader **Tom DeLay** to **Michael Moore**, and the Rev. **Al Sharpton**.

Even with MGM doing everything short of sending a limo, few of the film's critics watched the movie before opening fire. When **Thomas** was asked if he'd seen "Saved!" before writing his column, he responded: "No, but I didn't really need to, because I know the way Hollywood thinks about religion."

According to the Rev. **Frank Desiderio**, head of **Paulist Productions**, a TV and film production company created to tackle Christian topics for mainstream audiences, historical forces also are at work in this standoff. "The more evangelical wings of the churches have always been seen as persecuted outcasts," he explains.

Still, it's a fascinating contradiction: Even at a time when their political clout is at its zenith, many evangelicals continue to see themselves as a persecuted minority, especially on cultural issues. A recent Gallup Poll found that evangelicals make up 43 percent of the U.S. population. President **Bush** is a born-again Christian who frequently invokes God in his speeches. Born-again Christian sway is felt everywhere from key judicial appointments to anti-abortion legislation and foreign policy. As **The Wall Street Journal** put it in a front-page story recently, "evangelicals' influence has helped shape a series of legislative and policy moves, including the invasion of Iraq."

The "Saved!" filmmakers argue that, beyond the satire, the characters in their comedy are true to life, not cardboard exaggerations.

"We went to Christian youth rallies, we read Christian girls' diaries online, we went into chat rooms to talk to kids about fundamentalism," Dannelly says. "These kids were astounding — they were 15 and already having sex, doing drugs and being saved. One group of kids met at a Christian rock concert and had an orgy when their parents were out of town. If anything, we underplayed it."

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## Stand up for your soldier

I am the wife of an activated Army re-  
servist who is currently serving in Iraq.

This is my first experience at being an  
active-duty dependent of the Army, and so far  
I'm not impressed. I would like to let  
others know of my experiences so far, so that  
other family members who may be ex-  
periencing the same things know they are  
not alone.

My husband is a police officer in a major  
city, so don't think that I have a problem  
with the sacrifices that may have to be  
made as a result of his commitment. My  
husband puts his life on the line every day  
for the people of the United States, whether  
it's in the streets of Dallas or in Iraq.

Upon mobilization to Fort Hood, Texas,  
my husband informed his chain of com-  
mand that he was asthmatic and on multi-  
ple daily medications required to keep it  
under control.

He was then sent to a supposed pulmon-  
ary specialist at Darnell Army Commu-  
nity Hospital (on Fort Hood) who advised  
that he was still deployable because his  
medications were available overseas.

His medications weren't as easy to get  
overseas as the Army portrayed.

The unit needed a certain number of sol-  
diers to deploy, and they got it any way  
they needed to, including putting my hus-  
band's life in danger before he ever even  
reached the war zone.

My husband had been in Kuwait less  
than two weeks before he got this first experi-

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ratory infection and had to be placed on an-  
tibiotics and steroids. He's had two more  
infections since, and has only been in coun-  
try three months.

The Army treats and communicates  
with you as if you don't have a brain. I  
have had to complain far up as Defense  
Secretary Donald Rumsfeld's office at the  
Pentagon to get anyone within the Army to  
take any action.

With the exception of two people, the AR-

my's representatives have made me feel  
as if by my complaints are unfounded; they  
have taken more than three months to get  
required medications to my husband (and  
only because I had a hand in getting them  
to him) and they have only finally com-  
plied with a physician in Iraq who con-  
firmed what I have been saying all along:  
His health will continue to deteriorate in  
that environment and that he should never  
have been deployed.

I want the other family members who  
may be experiencing things like this to  
know that they do have a voice and not to  
give up. They should keep calling their sol-  
dier's chain of command and local inspec-  
tor general's offices, keep complaining  
about the fact that the Army treats these  
soldiers as if they mean nothing, not to  
mention the way they treat the families.  
The Army does not have the right to take  
over these people's lives and then not live  
up to their end of the bargain. If more peo-  
ple take a stand for their soldier, maybe  
some day the Army will have to listen to  
us.

The Army must be made to realize that  
our soldiers are all deeply loved and  
missed by someone at home. They are our  
husbands and wives, our mothers and fa-  
thers, our sons and daughters, our grand-  
children in some cases, our grandmothers  
and grandfathers. They mean everything to us  
and we need to make the Army stand up  
and take care of them as we would.

If we don't stand up for our soldiers,  
who will?

Teri Cohen  
Red Oak, Texas

## Woes from bigger deserts no mirage

BY BILL FERGUSON

Macon (Ga.) Telegraph

Last week I learned a new word,  
and I want to share it with you.

The word is "desertification,"  
and it is used to describe a phe-  
nomenon by which an increasing amount  
of the Earth's surface is gradually turning  
into barren, uninhabitable desert.

As a matter of fact, last week marked  
the 10th anniversary of a U.N. program,  
the Convention to Combat Desertification,  
but was designed to arrest this phenom-  
enon. Never heard of it? Well, neither had I,  
but that isn't surprising. Americans, after  
all, aren't exactly noted for their environ-  
mental awareness.

According to U.N. reports, we are losing  
more habitable land to desertification  
every year, and the rate of loss has been in-  
creasing through the last three decades. In  
the 1970s about 624 square miles per year  
were being lost. In the '80s it was 840  
square miles per year, and from the  
mid-'90s to 2001 it was up to 1,374 square  
miles per year.

By 2025, two-thirds of the land in Africa  
could be a desert, along with one-third of  
Asia and one-fifth of South America. An es-

timated 135 million people could be dis-  
placed by this climate change phenom-  
enon, causing political and economic tur-  
moil that is difficult to calculate.

What's causing this creeping desert syn-  
drome? You might have already guessed  
that it's thought to be caused mostly by  
human activity. As populations increase in  
areas that are already stressed in terms of  
the availability of clean water and arable  
land, scarce water supplies are being de-  
pleted, forests are clear cut to make way  
for development, grasslands are over-  
grazed, and fields are overfertilized. These  
activities cause areas that are already bar-  
ren, fertile deserts into full-fledged waste-  
lands.

Existing deserts such as the Sahara in  
Africa and the Gobi in Asia are expanding  
over those continents like a middle-age  
man's creeping bald spot. Unless the tide  
is turned, the Earth will continue to look  
more and more like a desert planet.

I remember a scene in a science-fiction  
movie I once saw (I forget which one)  
where some alien race had come to Earth  
intent on destroying humanity and, in this  
case, their reasoning was that mankind  
could be a desert, along with one-third of  
Earth. We take more than our fair share of the natural re-

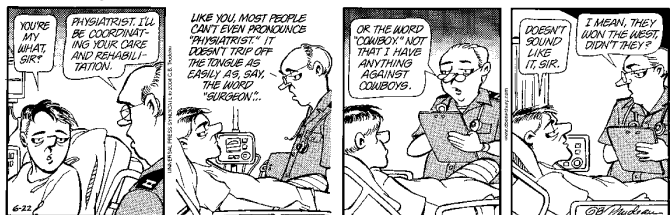
sources, kill anything that we can make  
use of or which gets in our way, and have  
little concern for the damage we do to our  
host organism. Humanity had to be  
stopped, said this alien presence, before  
we figured out how to travel to other plan-  
ets and sucked up their resources and  
killed off their native inhabitants in a  
quest for our own continued survival.

That may be an extreme view, but it is  
hard to argue against the contention that  
despite all of our intelligence and ad-  
vanced technology we seem to have  
turned into a cancer on the Earth's ecosys-  
tem. Few of us stop to consider how our ac-  
tivities affect the living Earth and fewer still  
are willing to change any aspect of our life-  
style out of consideration for the health of  
the environment.

Some people believe that there will  
come a day when God will visit plagues  
and natural disasters on the Earth as part  
of a final judgment for the sins of man.  
Sometimes it seems like divine interven-  
tion may not be necessary for this to hap-  
pen. We are gradually turning the Earth  
into a place that's not fit to live in all on our  
own, and it's beginning to feel a little less  
like paradise and a little more like that  
other, warmer place with each passing  
day.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## Doonesbury



# OPINION

## Only a complete stem-cell soul-search is fair

People who had no kind word for Nancy Reagan when she was first lady held their tongues, as a matter of courtesy, when Mr. Reagan got sick. And now these gentlemen have made her a champion of their current cause, which is embryonic stem cell research.

William F. Buckley



News stories feature her as a great force pleading for a modification in hidebound policies set by President Bush. She brings with her that holy consecration to a cause that, she maintains, had been explored by generations ago, might have spared her husband the pains he suffered in the 10 years that led up to the most keenly felt death of modern times.

The art of argumentation is: polarize. The cause you embrace is the cause of the wise and the virtuous. The negative is that of opportunists and of moral dumbdimmedness. Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., is very good at this formulaic art, and is quoted most recently as saying, "If it's a matter of throwing away embryos or saving lives with them, the answer is very clear-cut." But if the right thing to do were very clear-cut, there wouldn't be reason to delay in addressing the problem.

The quarrel is over President Bush's position on embryonic stem cells. In 2001 he adopted a policy releasing a given number of them for scientific work. These were specially selected because they were "dead" in

the sense that they could not be cloned for experiments of a kind that might edge in the direction of playing with tissues which could be said to be, conceivably, human beings.

Arguing against such limitation is the community that tends to side with science, except when science is making nuclear bombs. These folk argue that worry over embryonic stem cells is, in fact, a false worry inasmuch as such cells are never going to evolve into human beings.

Meanwhile, nobody is pointing to any specific program aborted by the absence of additional lines of cells, and there is infinite work yet to be done exploring whether adult stem cells can in due course accomplish what the embryonic stem cells, the gold-standard research ingredients, promise. But a political war is shaping up.

Two hundred members of Congress and 58 senators have urged the president to modify his quarantine, and Mrs. Reagan is adopted as the Mother Teresa of political reform.

The philosophical question is of course the root question, even as it is the root question when considering abortion, or suicide. But the political question surely comes first. There is no constitutional provision that gives to the chief executive exclusive authority over the disposition of embryonic stem cells. Most of these, to be sure, are the result of scientific and medical activity that is the result of government endorsement. But this should not give to the executive any exclusive authority to rule on the question. If the majority in Congress feels that to deny stem cell reserves is wrong and shortsighted, let it vote to change the policy.

But as the question gallops forward, asking for primary political stage time, we



should give thought to the questions touched upon by the words of Ronald Reagan.

Begin by acknowledging that the ordeal was not by any means his alone, but that also of his wife, and of the scientific community that automatically takes on the job of prolonging human life. If, two weeks ago, the patient in Bel Air, Calif., had suffered a mere reversal, all would have labored intensively to keep him alive.

The high cost of Mr. Reagan's illness is measured not exclusively by what it did to Mr. Reagan. Secondary costs included ruining Nancy Reagan's life. And, yes, absorbing

a thousand hours of medical time and effort in the asymptomatic enterprise of keeping someone alive. It can't be done forever, so that the question arises not only how the illness might have been avoided, but also how reasonably to react after illness had set in.

That question asks, once again, for consideration at two levels. Morally, one asks, do we need fresher guidelines for dealing with the incurably sick? And politically we ask: Is there a reasonable limit to the claims of the incurably ill? Mr. Bush would be wise to reconsider what has been thought to be the president's exclusive authority over such questions of life and death and hubris.

## Catholic voters often choose to defy pro-life politics

By ANDREW GREELY

Will Catholics vote against Gov. Carter, Mr. Mayor, because of his abortion stance? The mayor of Chicago stared at the report with the bemused from he reserves for silly questions. "They don't do that way." Twenty-eight years later, they still don't vote that way. Nevertheless, in the run-up to the last seven presidential elections, experts on both sides have predicted that the "Catholic anti-abortion" vote would cause trouble for the Democrats, especially given the drift of Catholics from Democratic alignment. Both these "theories"—a Catholic anti-abortion vote and a Catholic realignment—are urban folk tales that float around in the collective consciousness of the media with little basis in fact.

The definitive study of religious realignment in presidential elections was written by Jeff Manza and Clem Brooks in the July 1997 issue of the American Journal of Sociology. The two scholars found that when all relevant variables were taken into account, there had been two major religious realignments since 1950, both of them Protestant. Religiously liberal Protestants shifted to the Democrats and religiously conservative Protestants to the Republicans. Even in elections such as the 1984 GOP triumph, when a majority of Catholics followed the national trend and voted for Ronald Reagan, Catholics did not move to the right nearly as much as white Protestants did.

In the 2000 election, it would appear from available data (such as the 2002 General Social Survey of the National Opinion Research Center and the National Election Study of the Survey Research Center at the University of Michigan) that Catholics were more likely than white Protestants to favor Al Gore, by a margin of about 10 percentage points—a similar margin to that of John

Kerry in current polls. Indeed, according to Voter News Service exit polls, Gore did well in states with a substantial number of Catholic voters—margins of 30 percentage points among Catholics in Massachusetts, 17 in Illinois, 15 in New York, Maryland and Arizona. So much for the realignment to the GOP.

But what about the Catholic pro-life vote? According to the National Opinion Research Center, or NORC, Catholics and Protestants differ little on a battery of abortion questions; large majorities think that abortion should be available when there is a risk of a defective child, a threat to the mother's health or a pregnancy caused by rape, while similar majorities reject abortion if the woman is unmarried or cannot afford another child or simply doesn't want a child. Only 4 percent of American Catholics consider themselves pro-life on all seven NORC questions, and a third of those voted for Gore anyway, despite his pro-choice stance.

One might argue that Catholics should oppose abortion in all circumstances, but in fact they do not.

A useful item to measure the effect of such attitudes is abortion after rape. Among Protestants questioned, 20 percent reject the availability of abortion in such circumstances, as do 24 percent of Catholics. The latter group was 10 percentage points less likely to vote for Gore than were other Catholics. The net loss of Catholic votes to the vice president therefore was 10 percent of 24 percent, or 2.4 percent.

Because Catholics are approximately a quarter of the American population, one quarter of 2.4 percent is six-tenths of 1 percent. That is the small amount by which Gore's popular-vote victory would have increased if abortion had not been an issue for some Catholics. Moreover, these calculations assume that abortion was the reason why anti-abortion Catholics did not vote for

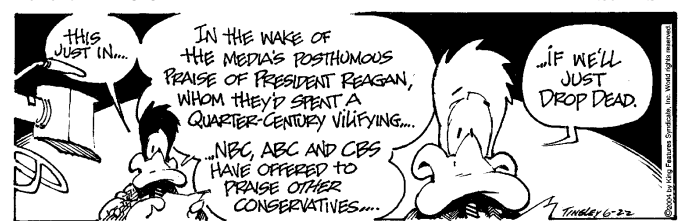
Gore. So the effect of Catholic abortion attitudes might have been even smaller.

To rephrase the mayor's comment, most Catholics do not vote on the basis of the abortion issue, and those who do have little effect. What then of the publicity created by some bishops who say Kerry has no right to receive communion and by the bishop of Colorado Springs, who contends that Catholics will lose the right to the sacraments if they vote for Kerry? An ad hoc committee of the bishops on such issues is unlikely to endorse draconian measures of this sort. Moreover, it is improbable that the Catholic hierarchy, disgraced and discredited as it is by the sexual abuse scandal, has the moral high ground to influence Catholic voters any more than it ever did, which was not at all.

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### Mallard Fillmore

By BRUCE TINSLEY



## Pedal power drive

**ME** AUGUSTA — About 1,500 bicycle riders began pedalling Friday morning when the American Lung Association's 20th annual Trek Across Maine got under way.

The participants, plus another 300 volunteers, took off from Sunday River ski resort in Newry and spent three days on the 183-mile route. The event had overnight stops in Farmington and Waterville before ending at Snow Mountain Park in Rockland on Sunday.

The event was expected to raise about \$1 million, which will help the American Lung Association of Maine.

## Bite your tongue

**MN** ST. PAUL — A midnight kiss turned into a man's nightmare when his girlfriend bit off part of his tongue.

The 43-year-old woman told police she became frightened Wednesday morning when her boyfriend squeezed her too tightly while they kissed, and her reflex was to bite down.

The woman was arrested and could be charged, investigators said. Her 47-year-old boyfriend was treated at a hospital.

Officers searched the woman's home for the piece of tongue but couldn't find it. Police estimate that it measured about 1.5 inches. The woman told police she doesn't remember what happened to the end of his tongue. She said she might have swallowed it.

## 'Cash cow' defenders

**FL** DAYTONA BEACH — Merchants who fought 20 years ago to save rowdy Bike Week won't do the same for the annual Black College Reunion. Bike Week generated substantial revenue, but BCR does not.

Daytona Beachside Redevelopment Board president Mike Shallow says his city is less tolerant unless an event is what he calls a "cash cow."

## Shrimping starts slow

**GA** SAVANNAH — The commercial shrimping season opened to a slow start. Fewer trawlers were launched and shrimpers reported catches too small to make a profit. For the fourth year, shrimpers are struggling against a flood of imported shrimp from Asia. Teddy Smithwick said he expects to sell jumbo shrimp for up to \$4.50 a pound this year, down from \$6.10 a pound in 2000.

## Pass the torch

**MO** ST. LOUIS — A century after becoming the first American city to host the modern-era Olympic games, St. Louis once again held the flame.

The symbolic torch, on its second stop of a four-city U.S. tour, was escorted Thursday by charter plane to St. Louis by Mayor Francis Slay, a day after it arrived in America by way of Los Angeles.

St. Louis' way with the small, Athens-bound flame began at the



## AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Gateway Arch along the Mississippi River, complete with traditional Greek dancing and appearances by Olympic gymnastic legends Nadia Comaneci and Bart Conner.

The torch's route included a pass by Washington University's Francis Field, rededicated Wednesday as the site of the track-and-field events of the sweltering 1904 Games.

St. Louis' celebration culminated in Forest Park, where the final torchbearer — Olympic gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersey of nearby East St. Louis, Ill. — lit the Olympic cauldron at the base of Art Hill.

## High scores, free ride

**MA** FRAMINGHAM — Students who score in the top 25 percent statewide on the MCAS exams will soon be able to attend state colleges and universities for free, the Board of Higher Education decided. Gov. Mitt Romney proposed the program that will begin in the 2005-2006 school year. Critics say the scholarships will mostly benefit students in wealthy suburban districts.

## Kid shelter emergency

**IN** FORT WAYNE — The city's only 24-hour emer-



## Papers please

Apartment building superintendents Frank Zapata, left, and Joseph De Arce, right, are framed in the doorway of De Arce's building, on New York's Upper West Side, as he accepts an envelope from a letter carrier.

gency shelter for children will close in 90 days because it has run out of money. Park Center CEO Paul Wilson said cuts in state assistance and rising health care costs make it unfeasible to continue operating the Daybreak Children's Shelter. The shelter's annual budget is about \$700,000.

## Clean landfill

**NJ** FLORENCE — A landfill that was on the federal Superfund list for 20 years has been cleaned up and taken off the federal list of toxic sites, the Environmental Protection Agency said. The Florence Recontouring Landfill was listed for high-priority cleanup after state environmental officials found that illegally dumped chemical waste had contaminated soil and groundwater.

## More summer workers

**IA** DES MOINES — A report by Manpower Inc. shows many employers across Iowa plan to hire more workers this summer.

Waterloo topped the list of the 11 cities covered, with 53 percent of employers planning to increase hiring. Des Moines was lowest with 10 percent. Manpower says the downturn in Des Moines is due to planned layoffs in education and government agencies.

## Dirty Catholic shrine

**NM** CHIMAYO — Santuario de Chimayo, a tiny Roman Catholic shrine visited by thousands annually as a healing place, faces problems as a potential health risk because of an inadequate septic system. A former Santa Fe County commissioner asked the commission for help. It approved a resolution that supports creating a community task force to assess the sewage problem but stopped short of offering funds.

## Serial horse slasher

**AZ** TUCSON — The mysterious slashings of at least 17 horses' throats at a guest ranch last year have been solved, but no one will be charged, officials said. The culprit: another horse. The weapon: teeth.

Investigators had suspected a person was trying to kill the horses because the jagged wounds were always near the vital jugular vein and happened late at night.

The case was cracked when an employee of the Tanque Verde Guest Ranch finally caught a horse biting another in the throat, Pima County sheriff's officials said Wednesday.

## Tuition hike not too bad

**CT** DANBURY — Thousands of students in the state college system will be paying more for school this fall, but not as much as expected. Trustees of the Connecticut State University system rolled back a portion of a planned tuition increase for the 2004-05 academic year. The trustees voted to reduce the increase at the four state universities from nearly 14 percent to just slightly over 8 percent.



**Two of a kind** A 2-day-old Hartmann's zebra rests under the protective care of its mother on the Serengeti Plain at Busch Gardens Tampa Bay in Tampa, Fla.



**Flying with ease** Star of Tomorrow aerobatics pilot mentor Sean D. Tucker, right, flies his Oracle Challenger aerobatic plane along with fellow mentor Michael Goulain, second from right, as Star of Tomorrow pilots Wyatt T. Coleman III, second from top, and Nick Nimmeyer, top, fly in formation during a practice flight over Fenway Park in Boston.





**Just a little thirsty** Micah Boyd, 7, of Tupelo, Miss., sticks his head out from under the dug-out and tries to catch raindrops at the Chesterfield Baseball Field in Belden, Miss.



**Here piggy piggy...** Terry Wilcox, a truck driver from Crawfordsville, Ind., carries a piglet back to his truck on I-380 near the off ramp for Boyson Road in Hiawatha, Iowa. Seven pigs fell out of his truck during a three-mile-plus stretch.



**Sudden explosion** Two LaCrosse, Wis., firefighters spray water on the remains of a building in LaCrosse after an explosion took place at the site.

## Bank robbers plead guilty

**AZ** PHOENIX — A man accused of teaming up with his girlfriend to rob banks across the West pleaded guilty to heists in Oregon, Colorado and Arizona.

Craig Pritchett was aided by his girlfriend, Nova Guthrie, in two of three bank robberies he admitted. They robbed a half-dozen banks in the West from 1997 to 1999.

Authorities said the duo used the money to travel the world. They were caught in August in South Africa, where they had lived since 2000 under assumed names.

Guthrie pleaded guilty last month to three robberies and had agreed to testify against Pritchett.

## Governor's gifts probed

**CT** HARTFORD — Gov. John G. Rowland's staff periodically took up collections in the office to buy him a canoe and other gifts, a Rowland aide and confidante told legislative investigators.

Jo McKenzie, who runs the governor's mansion, also acknowledged in a deposition released Wednesday that she interceded on behalf of a state contractor at the center of a federal corruption probe.

Rowland, facing possible impeachment, has said his office did not intervene in contracts. He is under investigation for accepting gifts from state employees and state contractors.

McKenzie described several deals, including a \$10,000 loan solicited by first lady Patricia Rowland that has not been fully repaid.

## Toddler electrocuted

**NE** LINCOLN — A woman faces felony child abuse charges for allegedly leaving her 22-month-old son alone for more than two days in a bedroom, where his electrocuted body was found, police records said.

Brandy Blair, 22, wedged a towel in the door to make sure the boy could not get out, and apparently had asked her neighbor resident of the house to watch the child, according to an arrest warrant.

Lincoln police said when they found Christian Reifler's body last Wednesday, he was starved and his diaper had not been changed for three days.

Investigators found a staple stuck in an electrical outlet near the toddler's body as well as burns on his hands. An autopsy ruled that he died of electrocution.

## Prison riot retribution

**CA** SACRAMENTO — Federal prosecutors concluded that locking members of a prison gang in their cells 23 hours a day for nearly two years after a prison riot did not violate their human rights.

Investigators did not examine claims that prison officials improperly triggered the 2002 riot at Folsom State Prison, when two rival gangs were released together into an exercise yard.

U.S. Attorney McGregor Scott

said Wednesday that Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger never asked him to consider allegations that an associate warden with connections to one of the gangs allowed the riot to take place.

## Anti-abortion arrests

**KS** WICHITA — Police arrested 12 abortion protesters Wednesday at a clinic where late-term abortions are performed.

The protesters got down on their knees and started praying, blocking the entrance to the parking lot of Dr. George Tiller's clinic. They refused to leave when asked, said Janet Johnson, spokeswoman for the Wichita Police Department.

Ten were arrested for trespassing and two for trespassing and resisting arrest, she said.

## Not satisfied with share

**MN** ST. PAUL — Lawyers for the state asked an appeals court for a greater share of the insurance settlement paid to victims of the plane crash that killed Sen. Paul Wellstone in 2002.

The state is scheduled to pay nearly \$1.5 million to the families of four campaign staffers not covered by worker's compensation. A lower court gave the state \$200,000 as its share of a \$25 million insurance settlement.

## Jail attacks reviewed

**CA** LOS ANGELES — A panel was appointed to review a recent string of attacks inside county jails that have left five inmates dead, including one witness in a murder case, District Attorney Steve Cooley announced. The task force is composed of six members of the community and eight members from Cooley's office.

## Campfires banned

**AZ** TUCSON — All campfires will be banned in the Coronado National Forest, forest officials said. Campfires in undeveloped areas have been banned since late May. Gas stoves and heaters will be allowed. Coronado has already had several wildfires this year, including a 40-acre blaze that was contained last week.

## Smog fraud alleged

**CA** LOS ANGELES — A woman who helped design Southern California's "pollution credit" anti-smog program was arrested for allegedly defrauding companies of tens of millions of dollars.

Anne Shultz, 39, of Bradbury, was arrested Wednesday by federal agents. At a detention hearing, a federal judge ordered her held on \$100,000 bond.

Shultz is a former economist who helped the South Coast Air Quality Management District design a program to reduce air pollution by more than 300 cars.

The program created pollution credits as a financial incentive for factories and power plants to reduce emissions.

Stories and photos from The Associated Press



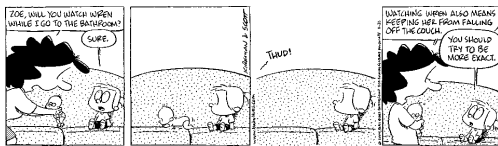
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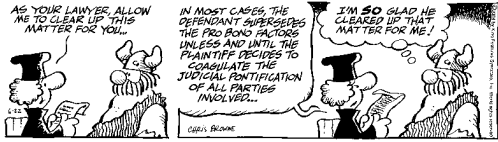
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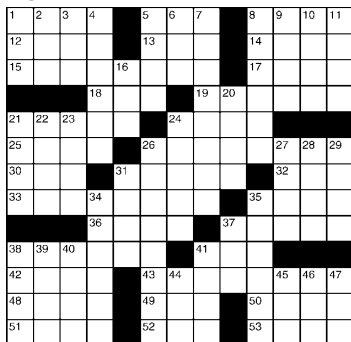
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# Eugene Sheffer Crossword



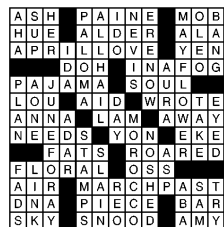
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- 12 Theater accommodation
- 13 Scoot
- 14 Command to a sled team
- 15 Thrive
- 17 Sandwich cookie
- 18 Disencumber
- 19 Weather map line
- 21 Razor sharpener
- 24 Body sci.
- 25 Crazy one
- 26 Off-white shade
- 30 Blackbird
- 31 Trellis plants
- 32 By way of
- 33 Dylan Thomas' "Under —"

## Down

- 1 Sprite
- 2 Encyc. bk.
- 3 Swelled head
- 4 CNS cell
- 5 Grating
- 6 Greek consonants
- 7 Destabilized
- 8 Suave
- 9 Put a check on
- 10 On the briny
- 11 Son of Odin
- 16 Sartorial woe
- 20 Back talk
- 21 Bridge coup
- 22 Singer
- 25 Tennille
- 28 Perturb
- 42 Exchange premiums
- 26 Like dormant memories
- 27 Incessantly
- 28 "Swedish Nightingale" Jenny
- 29 Tramp's love
- 31 Victor's call
- 34 Gripe constantly
- 35 Potential
- 37 Chapeau
- 38 Discourteous
- 39 "Step —!"
- 40 Minn. neighbor
- 41 Branch
- 44 Have a bug
- 45 Caviar, essentially
- 46 Dos Passos trilogy
- 47 Pay — - view

## Answer to Previous Puzzle



## 6-22

## CRYPTOQUIP

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S HSHSA'N WSJP!"

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I SUPPOSE A WATERBED COULD ARGUABLY BE VIEWED AS ONE'S VINYL RESTING PLACE.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals D

# Overeating can be dealt with

**Dear Abby:** I am about 70 pounds overweight. When I try to diet I just give up. I feel like crying every night because of the weight I took. The older I get, the more concerned I am about my weight problem, but I can't help myself.

I'm not calling anyone, and my so-called "friend" said it's because I am so ugly.

I am also kind of scared that I'll wind up dead because of my weight, but I can't stop eating. I eat because I'm happy. I joined an athletic program at school. All it did was help me lose a little bit of weight — not much.

What can I do to feel better about myself and become more healthy? I don't want to die.

— **Scared and Sad Fat Girl**  
Dear Scared and Fat: Stop beating yourself up. You have a weight problem, but you're not alone. So do millions of other people. Give yourself a pat on the back. You have already taken the

first important step in overcoming your problem. You joined an athletic program, which is important to your long-term health. An added bonus is that it helps to burn calories.

Now it's time to make an appointment with your physician so he or she can recommend a sensible weight-loss program.

Once that's established, go to your phone directory and check the listings for Overeaters Anonymous.

Allow me to quote from a letter I printed in 1999 from a member of Overeaters Anonymous: "Before I found OA at age 19, I had failed at every diet. I tried. I wasn't able to

stop shoving food down my throat. Back then, I could easily consume eight candy bars, a pint of ice cream and half a pizza in one sitting. ... My emotional state was equally tortured. I lost 45 pounds, Abby, but more important, I have kept it off for more than 18 years. One of

my closest friends lost 102 pounds through OA and has kept it off for nearly two years. My sponsor, who guides me through the program, lost 250 pounds and has kept it off for 27 years.

I'm not making it up. Incredibly, I don't miss the foods I used to wolf down. I eat nothing sweeter than fresh fruit, and I haven't been plagued by the relentless cravings I used to suffer.

OA changed the way I relate emotionally to food. I love life now, and often can't wait to get up in the morning."

"Scared and Sad," jump-start your diet by jettisoning the so-called "friend" you mentioned in your letter. With that kind of negative influence in your life, it's no wonder you turned to food for comfort. If you have trouble locating an OA chapter near you, visit the Web site, [www.overeatersanonymous.org](http://www.overeatersanonymous.org).

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at: <http://www.ueexpress.com/dearabby>  
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Dear Abby



# Can't tame controlling mother

**Dear Annie:** I have a problem with my mother. She is a royal pain in the rear.

I no longer live in the same state as my parents, so my mother has decided to pretend I no longer exist. She says I live too far away to visit, so she isn't interested in having a relationship with me. Also, she doesn't like my wife and has said that she will not associate with me or my children unless I get a divorce and move back to my home state.

Mom recently had her second heart attack, and I found out by accident. She didn't want me to know. She has exhibited this same manipulative behavior with my siblings at various times.

Mom is extremely controlling and expects people to do as she says or she won't speak to them. She makes Tony Soprano's mother look like a saint. How do I deal with her?

— **Rejected Son in Oregon**  
Dear Son: Moving away is a good start. You cannot please

Annie's Mailbox



your mother and be happy at the same time, so stop trying. If your mother ignores you because you have decided to live a contented and normal life, that is HER choice.

Call her now and then to see how she's doing, or get word through a sibling. Send her a card on her birthday and flowers on Mother's Day if you wish to stay in touch, but understand that you have done nothing wrong. Perhaps, over time, she will realize you cannot be manipulated and will miss you enough to mellow a bit. Let's hope so.

**Dear Annie:** I read the letter from "Dismayed in Illinois," who said she attended a wake where several people dropped their trousers and mooned the deceased. Was she utterly appalled. I suspect she was talking about my family.

I was involved in a mooning for my brother-in-law, Tony, last

November in a small community in Illinois. I was honored with the privilege of writing and performing the funeral ceremony for Tony, and was proud to be part of the mooning, honoring my brother-in-law and close friend.

I stood side by side with Tony and dropped my drawers on many an occasion to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, family gatherings, and yes, funerals. This piece of group silliness has become somewhat of a family tradition for us. We know Tony sat up in heaven, drinking a beer, laughing with us as we celebrated his life. And he would have done the same for me if the situation had been reversed.

— **Remembering in Illinois**  
Dear Illinois: As we said, if the family does not object, neither should anyone else. Your relationship with Tony sounds loving, and we know you must miss him a great deal. Our condolences.

**Annie's Mailbox** is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to [annie@mailbox.comcast.net](mailto:annie@mailbox.comcast.net), or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045.  
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## JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

WESHO

UFORR

DWEAMO

SWOBET

Answer: " " " "

Yesterday's

Jumbles: JOUST BERTH BRIDLE TEAPUP

Answer: She sought the prey sunscreen because it was — A "SHADE" BETTER

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## THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Arginton

I'll take a pound of these, a pound of those, and...

I really miss chocolate!



EASY TO EXPERIENCE ON A SUGAR FREE DIET.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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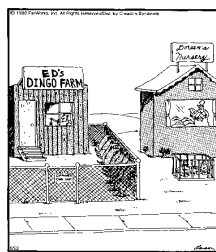
Investing in crime prevention gets us a lot for our money

Dennis the Menace



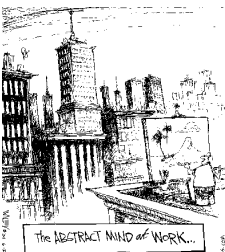
"NEXT TIME YOU GUYS GO ON A HONEYMOON, HOW ABOUT TAKIN' ME ALONG?"

The Far Side



Trouble brewing

Non Sequitur



The ABSTRACT MIND OF WORK...





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Jobs Offered	630
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Agency (DCMA) is seeking to hire a Quality Assurance Specialist, GS-12, to work with contractors within Japan. Position is located in Atsugi, Japan and is supported under SOFA. Candidate must be a US citizen and be able to effectively communicate in the Japanese language fluently both oral and written. Interested candidates should forward their inquiries to [sorrya.alston@dcma.mil](mailto:sorrya.alston@dcma.mil)

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Okinawa - PCS sale. Double bed with headboard, frame, and mattress/box springs, \$50.00

**Pets** **820**

Okinawa - Free to good home. Okie mixed dog, 1 1/2 years old. White with brown markings, very cute, good with children, current on shots, spayed. House broken.

Okinawa - FTGH American  
Staffordshire Terrier and his  
best friend a grey tabby kitten

Both are good with people and affectionate. We would like to adopt them out together. They are very attached to each other. PCS on short notice so we can't get them back to US. Call 938-8177 or email [nutzntr@yahoo.com](mailto:nutzntr@yahoo.com). Pictures available.

Okinawa - Iguana 1 1/2 years old with cage and heat lamp, about 100 lbs. long. Healthy active, looking for friend that just PCS asking \$100.00 please call 633-6801 or email [Colomak1@hotmail.com](mailto:Colomak1@hotmail.com).

Sporting Goods	980
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Okinawa - Exercise bike, computerized, like new \$50.00 firm. Call Michael 016-893-6422

Okinawa - AB Doer 11 w/ videotape. Selling for \$30.00. Call 633-9804

Okinawa - Nordic Track Walk Fit, needs work, \$80.00. Call John at 633-3261 (H) or 645-0815 (W).

Okinawa - Perform 385 personal trainer treadmill, barely used \$250.00 OBO. Call Otis or Michele at 632-3463

Okinawa - Top Flight Tread C

club, purchased for \$299, new  
still in the original box, will sell  
for \$245.00. Call Greg at  
633-6242.

Yokota - Bowflex motivator  
equipped with 210-pound cap-  
able bows, leg extension attach-  
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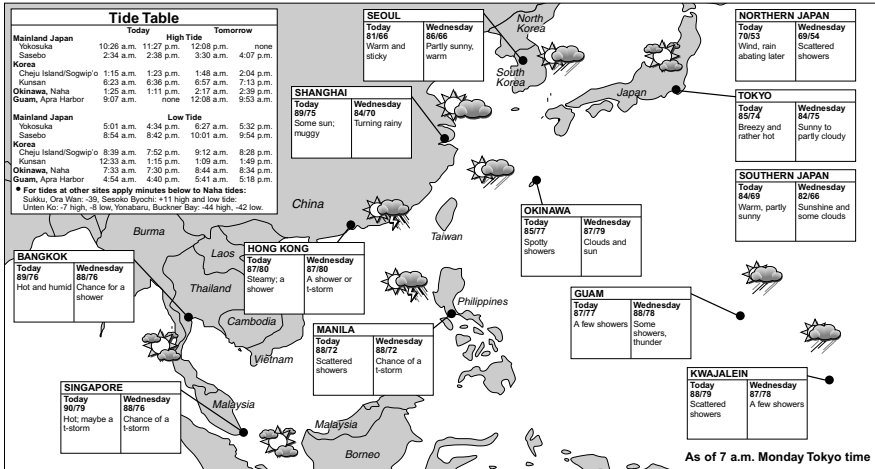
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# The Pacific Forecast

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## Extended Forecasts

**TOKYO**  
Thursday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 86, low 76.  
Friday: Thunderstorms, high 80, low 70.

**KADENA**  
Thursday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 87, low 79.  
Friday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 88, low 80.

**SEUL**  
Thursday: Thunderstorms, high 85, low 63.  
Friday: Mostly cloudy, high 86, low 67.

**MANILA**  
Thursday: Thunderstorms, high 88, low 73.  
Friday: Thunderstorms, high 88, low 73.

**HAGATNA**  
Thursday: Thunderstorms, high 89, low 80.  
Friday: Thunderstorms, high 91, low 80.

## Sunday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	90/61	Los Angeles	74/62
Amarillo	92/66	Little Rock	82/67
Anchorage	75/56	Louisville	79/64
Ashville	81/60	Miami	93/77
Baltimore	76/56	Milwaukee	72/55
Birmingham	88/70	Nashville	83/66
Bismarck	79/48	New York	74/58
Boise	81/63	Omaha	72/62
Boston	77/58	Orlando	94/75
Brownsville	95/75	Philadelphia	76/58
Buffalo	70/52	Phoenix	106/79
Burlington	75/54	Pittsburgh	70/62
Charleston, SC	90/72	Portland, OR	89/58
Charlotte	84/64	Portland, ME	76/49
Chicago	69/53	Salt Lake City	86/56
Columbus, OH	73/57	St. Louis	77/64
Duluth	75/49	San Antonio	95/74
El Paso	95/70	San Diego	71/64
Hartford	75/50	San Juan	90/78
Helena	72/44	Tampa	90/78
Indianapolis	75/58	Tulsa	85/70
Jacksonville	94/72	Washington	78/59
Kansas City	77/64	Wichita	79/67

## Tuesday, June 22



## U.S. Extended Forecast

Rain will plague the Southeast and Gulf Coast Tuesday and Wednesday. A front stalling over these regions will trigger showers and thunderstorms. Moisture converging along the front will help the storms bring heavy rain to parts of Mississippi, Georgia and Alabama. Elsewhere, northerly winds will pull cool air from Canada southward into the Great Lakes and Dakotas. Temperatures from Montana to Michigan will average 5 to 10 degrees below normal. The cooldown in the Plains will be contrasted by unseasonable heat in the Northwest. Sunshine and southerly winds will allow temperatures to rise into the 90s across Idaho, Oregon and eastern Washington. Thunderstorms may form in the afternoon heat across the Cascades.

## Tuesday's Pacific Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	89/76	Wakani	81/70
Beijing	89/69	Kadena AB	85/77
Camp Casey	81/67	Kunsan AB	80/70
Hartford	43/30	Kwajalein	88/79
Diego Garcia	81/74	Manila	88/72
Hagatna	87/77	Misawa AB	77/62
Hanoi	95/82	Osan	81/68
Hong Kong	87/80	Perth	66/48
Honolulu	88/75	Pusan	78/67

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Sasebo	81/70	Sapporo	70/53
Seoul	81/66	Shanghai	88/75
Singapore	90/79	Singapore	90/79
Sydney	62/44	Sydney	62/44
Taegu	81/70	Taipei	91/75
Tokyo	85/74	Tokyo	85/74

## Tuesday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Budapest	81/60	Kabul	70/47
Buenos Aires	59/48	Kiev	80/58
Cairo	99/65	Kuwait	112/78
Cancun	85/73	London	64/53
Cape Town	72/45	Madrid	86/62
Geneva	74/63	Mexico City	73/55
Istanbul	81/60	Montreal	76/58
Jerusalem	86/59	Mogadishu	85/72
Johannesburg	63/42	Moscow	74/52
		Warsaw	75/56

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## MOVIES

• **SPORTS**

J	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30
6	AFN-P	ESPNNews Pacific Report	The Heaven "The One Thing" Matt and Sarah begin their student rotation in the ER. (CC)	*** "Big Brother" (1998, Fantasy) Voices of Dave Foley, Kevin Spacey, Julia Louis-Dreyfus. Animated. A multi-art seeks to save his colony.					Pacific Report	The Tonight Show (CC)		Late Show (CC)
7	AFN-Alt	(5-30) Guiding Light (CC)	General Hospital (CC)	Headline News	Judge Judy (CC)	Today (CC)			Arthur Arthur has bad dreams. (E) (CC)	Doug "Doug's in the Middle" (CC)	Lizze McGuire (CC)	All That
8	NEWS	ONN Daybreak		The O'Reilly Factor (CC)		Good Morning America (CC)			Headline News	ABC World News This Morning (CC)	The Early Show (CC)	
9	SPORTS	W-100 MLB Baseball Teams to Be Announced. (Taped)			SportsCenter		MLB Baseball Teams to Be Announced. (Taped)					
10	SPEC	Monk "Mr. Monk is Gones to the Circus" A circus ringmaster is murdered by the circus ringmaster. (CC)	ER "One Can Only Hope" Dr. Corday clashes with the new surgical resident over a patient's treatment. (CC)	The Residents' A patient undergoes surgery stemming from a botched appendectomy.	*** "The Return of the Living Dead" (1985, Horror) Dr. Gulager, Don Calfa, James Keane. County's progress with a craving for.	*** "Moscow on the Hudson" (1984, Comedy) Robin Williams, Maria Conchita Alonso. Cleverest Demise. A former circus musician defies and leaves American ways. (CC) (DVS)	Independent Lens "Surreal East and West" Profiles of some of the most prominent American social wrestlers.	Charlie Rose Tom Stewart. (N) (CC)				Ebert & Roeper (CC)
14	TMC	(15) *** "Impostor" (2001, Science Fiction) Gary Sinise, Madeline Stowe, Vincent D'Onofrio. A man is accused of being an alien doppleganger. PG-13 (CC)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (CC)	Dragon Tales A bunch of jumping bears escape. (E) (CC) (DVS)	*** "The Return of the Living Dead" (1985, Horror) Dr. Gulager, Don Calfa, James Keane. County's progress with a craving for.	*** "Moscow on the Hudson" (1984, Comedy) Robin Williams, Maria Conchita Alonso. Cleverest Demise. A former circus musician defies and leaves American ways. (CC) (DVS)	Independent Lens "Surreal East and West" Profiles of some of the most prominent American social wrestlers.	Charlie Rose Tom Stewart. (N) (CC)				Ebert & Roeper (CC)
24	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog "Boo! (E) (CC) (DVS)	Dragon Tales A bunch of jumping bears escape. (E) (CC) (DVS)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (CC)	Dragon Tales A bunch of jumping bears escape. (E) (CC) (DVS)	*** "The Return of the Living Dead" (1985, Horror) Dr. Gulager, Don Calfa, James Keane. County's progress with a craving for.	*** "Moscow on the Hudson" (1984, Comedy) Robin Williams, Maria Conchita Alonso. Cleverest Demise. A former circus musician defies and leaves American ways. (CC) (DVS)	Independent Lens "Surreal East and West" Profiles of some of the most prominent American social wrestlers.	Charlie Rose Tom Stewart. (N) (CC)			Ebert & Roeper (CC)
25	SHOW	(5-40) *** "Mad" and "The Mentalist" (2002, Action) Pierce Brosnan, and an American spy track a North Korean villain. PG-13 (CC) (1988) (R)	Dragon Tales A bunch of jumping bears escape. (E) (CC) (DVS)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (CC)	Dragon Tales A bunch of jumping bears escape. (E) (CC) (DVS)	*** "The Return of the Living Dead" (1985, Horror) Dr. Gulager, Don Calfa, James Keane. County's progress with a craving for.	*** "Moscow on the Hudson" (1984, Comedy) Robin Williams, Maria Conchita Alonso. Cleverest Demise. A former circus musician defies and leaves American ways. (CC) (DVS)	Independent Lens "Surreal East and West" Profiles of some of the most prominent American social wrestlers.	Charlie Rose Tom Stewart. (N) (CC)			Ebert & Roeper (CC)
27	A&E	Life on the Border "A social prom couple are butchered in their Virginia home." (CC)	American Justice "The Perfect Murder: The Shannon McKelvey Story" Woman dies in a alleged accident. (CC)	American Justice "The Perfect Murder: The Shannon McKelvey Story" Woman dies in a alleged accident. (CC)	Biography Remembers "Ronald Reagan" Ronald Reagan. (CC)	High Tech Topics Future Tense	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	Crossing Jordan Jordan investigates the death of a cabby after an interview with his wife. (CC)
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29	TF	(5-30) OK, Fine Whatever	Insider	Pipol	Morning News	(15) Kumikaitang Kabuhayan	(4-40) Mib, Ang Saysa				(10) Trip Kita	(35) Sarah
30	CNN-I	Larry King Live (CC)	CNN World News	World Sport	Business International	Asia Tonight	Biz Asia	CNN World News	World Report	Biz Asia	Business International	
31	GOLF	PGA PGA Golf World PGA Championship - Third Round. From Sun, England.			PGA Top Top Ten Shots		Golf Channel Academy	Golf Central	Golf Channel Academy	Golf Central	Playing Lessons From the Pros	Quest for the
32	TLC	Trading Spas A powerful dealers supplies to two homes separated by a tunnel. (CC)	In a Fix (N)	Rides "The Mo" Alamo-Alamo Boat. (CC)	Samurai Jack	Carlson Cartoon	Cartoon	2 Stupid Dogs	I Am Weasel	What a Cartoon Show	Scoby-Do, Where Are You!	
34	TOON	Powerpuff Girls	Dexter's Laboratory	Courage the Cowardly Dog	Justice League	Samurai Jack	Carlson Cartoon	Cartoon	2 Stupid Dogs	I Am Weasel	What a Cartoon Show	Scoby-Do, Where Are You!
35	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter "Freshwater crocodiles. The freshwater crocodiles of North Queensland. (CC)	The Planet's Funniest Animals (N)	The Planet's Funniest Animals (N)	Venom ER Black widow bite.	Venom ER Black widow bite.	Venom ER Black widow bite.	Venom ER Black widow bite.	Animal Ops Animal "Seeking Justice" Absorbed Detroit. (CC)	Venom ER Black widow bite.		
36	COM	Late Night Bob Costas; Brian Posehn; Tony Lippman. (CC)	The Daily Show	Mad TV Claudia Schiffer plays secretary (CC)	Frank Yankers	Frank Yankers	Frank Yankers	Frank Yankers	Chappelle's Show	Chappelle's Show	The Daily Show	Tough Crowd (N)
40	NGC-A	Search for Kennedy's PT-109	Toyota World of Wildlife	Planet Wild	Last of the Dragons	Korea's Forbidden Zone	Secret Killers of Monterey Bay	Dangerous Jaws "Storm Shores" A shark cameraman risks to capture a natural disaster as it strikes.				
42	SPKE	Horsepower TV (CC)	Horsepower TV (CC)	Star Trek: The Next Generation "Silence Has Leases" (CC)	Star Trek: The Next Generation "Silence Has Leases" (CC)	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	MXC	MXC
43	FOX	Fame (CC)	Blind Date A visit to a yoga studio.	Blind Date A visit to a yoga studio.	Blind Date A visit to a yoga studio.	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	MXC	MXC
44	BET	100 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	BET 100 Countdown	The Partners (CC)	The Partners (CC)	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	MXC	MXC
46	COURT	NYPD Blue A woman's mentally challenged brother appears to be responsible for her murder. (CC)	Cops A man threatens to blow for a prostitute. (CC)	The Partners (CC)	The Partners (CC)	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	Oblivious "Failed 'Hyperphaser'"	MXC	MXC
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12:30 Lois and Clark: The New Adventures of Superman (12)  
1:30 Hong Kong Movie (1995): Rumble in the Bronx (2/30)(12)  
5:50 News (6)  
**Evening**  
6:15 Japan Pro Ball: Yakult Swallows vs. Yokohama BayStars (42)  
7:00 News (1)  
7:30 Japan Pro Ball: Yomiuri Giants vs. Chunichi Dragons (4)  
7:25 What I Like About You (3)  
10:00 News (1)  
11:25 Wimbledon Tennis 2004 (1)  
12:00 Disney On Ice Special (4)(r)  
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**Morning**

6:00 World News  
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10:00 BS Prime Time: Journalism and Iraqi War (r)  
11:00 Handicraft: Partition (r)  
**Afternoon**  
12:30 CNN News  
1:00 Children's Heart (r)  
1:30 ABC News  
2:00 PBS NewsHour  
3:00 CNN News  
4:00 World News  
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5:25 ABC News  
**Evening**  
6:00 Japan Pro Ball: Hanshin Tigers vs. Hiroshima Carp  
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11:00 BS News

2:35 Asian News  
3:50 PBS NewsHour  
4:40 Asian News  
5:00 World News

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10:00 Classical Music: Akiko Nakajima Soprano Recital

**Afternoon**  
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**Evening**  
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10:00 TV Series: *Monk*  
12:00 U.S. Movie (1992): *Batman Returns* (7:10)

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Anna Magdalena (1:40)

**Afternoon**  
1:00 U.S.-British

1:00 The Count of Monte Cristo (2:15)  
 3:15 French Movie (2002): The Transporter  
 (1:35)  
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 6:00 UEFA Euro 2004 Soccer: Croatia vs. En-  
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 8:00 UEFA Euro 2004 Soccer: Swiss vs. France  
 10:00 TV Series: Dawson's Creek  
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 1:00 The Beat File: Japan  
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**Morning**  
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:00 Top Choice  
 :00 Pure Music  
 :10 Top Choice  
**Afternoon**  
 :20 The Osbournes  
 :30 Making the Video: Kelly Osbourne  
 :40 Classic  
 :50 Top Choice  
 :00 Pure Music  
 :10 Top Choice  
 :20 Hip Hop, R&B Reggae  
 :30 Top Choice  
**Evening**  
 :40 Street Tuesday  
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 :00 Summer Sonic 2003 Express  
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# Rolling a 7 takes par of 17 holes

**A** mid howls of protest from players 30 years ago at Winged Foot Golf Club, the man running the U.S. Open summed up a philosophy still very much in play today.

"Our objective is not to humiliate the best players in the world," Sandy Tatum said. "It's to identify them."

On Saturday afternoon, with Shinnecock Hills basking in the Long Island sun, the U.S. Golf Association came dangerously close to doing both.

The best players in the world watched in varying stages of disbelief as putts rolled off greens, balls bounded into bunkers and downhill 3-footers quickly became 10-foot comeback putts.

USGA officials were watching, too, presumably with devilish delight.

You see, the people who run the U.S. Open have trouble with the concept of par. They cringe when it's broken, as if it were an affront to the game they're charged with protecting.

To make sure it isn't, they turn par-5s into par-4s, trim fairways to tiny strips of green ribbon and grow ankle deep rough everywhere they can.

When all else fails — as it did during the first two rounds of the Open — they simply stop watering the greens.

"They were probably losing sleep last night with all the guys under par," Jeff Maggert said.

True to its charge, the USGA finally found the right recipe Saturday for its annual examination of the world's best golfers. If this was an exam, though, it was one without a lot of answers.

The wind that usually protects Shinnecock barely blew until late in the day, but the greens were slicker than oiled lanes at the local bowling alley. In a field of 66 players, only three broke par, and only one of them was in contention.

"The Masters was hard, but it was nothing like this," amateur Casey Wittenberg said.

Under their breath, players muttered about the USGA. They cursed the conditions that got even more absurd as the day went on.

Those running the Open insist they heard none of it, of course, and wonder what the fuss is all about. Protecting par is a hard business, after all, on a course that measures a dinosaur-like 6,996 yards from the back tees.

"We've had nothing but positive feedback through 54 holes on 53 of them," said Walter Driver, chairman of the USGA championship committee.

At yes, the 54th. That would be No. 7 on the scorecard. No. 1 in the hearts of anyone who likes to see players tortured.

The seventh was rapidly turning into the joke of the Open even before the wind shifted and workers mistakenly ran a roller over it Friday night. That combination led to a lot of mini dramas that drew huge throngs of people.

They groaned in unison as balls headed toward the hole rolled off the green. They moaned in sympathy when their favorite, Phil Mickelson, imploded there.

Think this game is tough? Try having to aim into a greenside bunker to make par on a par-3.

"When you have to hit it in the bunker to make par it's not a very good hole," said Maggert, who did just that. "Really, that was my plan off the tee."

The hole almost wiped away the goofy grin Mickelson constantly wears when he hit a shot that was nearly perfect — only to watch it roll off the back of the shaved green. It got worse when Mickelson got a little bold with

his chip, knocking it about 8 feet past the hole.

While Mickelson waited to putt, Shigei Maruyama rolled his birdie putt off the back of the green into a swale, giving him a taste of what was to come.

Mickelson barely touched the putt, then followed as it rolled slowly past the hole. In an almost comical scene, Maruyama's caddy ran to his bag to get it out of the way as the ball rolled to the edge of the green.

By the time it was over, Mickelson had a double bogey and was out of the lead.

"I really do love it," Mickelson insisted, referring to the course. "It's just that one hole today that was just a little bit ..."

What the USGA would have done to have a hole like that last year when Jim Furyk tied an Open record by shooting 8-under 272 at Olympia Fields outside Chicago. When Hale Irwin won at Winged Foot in 1974, he was 7-over-par, the kind of score that made USGA types feel like winners, too.

Furyk's Open record appeared in jeopardy after the first two rounds when greens softened by rain and a lack of wind allowed Mickelson and Maruyama to share the lead at 6 under.

That changed quickly on a course where par on Saturday became a cause for celebration.

"On a scale of one to 10, it's an 11," Ernie Els said.

Things don't figure to get much better on Sunday, though many of the toughest pin positions have already been used.

If the wind blows even a bit, it could get downright scary.

"It's going to be fun to watch," Fred Funk said. "It's going to be a bunch of car wrecks. It's going to be like there's oil on the track at Daytona."

For the national championship, the USGA wouldn't have it any other way.

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## S.U. Open scorecard

Sunday  
At Shinnecock Hills Golf Club  
Southampton, N.Y.  
Purse: \$6.25 million  
Yardage: 6,996 Par: 70  
Final Round  
(amateur)

Retief Goosen	70-65-69-71=276	+4
Phil Mickelson	68-65-73-71=278	+4
Jeff Maggert	69-70-71=280	+5
Mike Weir	69-70-71=284	+4
Shigei Maruyama	69-70-71=284	+4
Fred Funk	70-66-72=285	+5
Robert Milder	69-70-71=286	+5
Steve Flesch	68-74-70=286	+6
Chris Mah	68-74-71=287	+7
Stephen Ames	74-66-71=287	+7
Chris O'Leary	71-71-70=287	+7
Ernie Els	69-70-70=287	+7
Casey Wittenberg	70-71-71=288	+8
A-Spencer Levin	70-71-71=288	+8
Timothy Clark	68-70-70=288	+8
Geoff Maguire	69-70-71=289	+9
Skip Kendall	70-70-71=290	+10
Greg Wadsworth	71-69-71=291	+11
Corey Pavin	71-71-71=290	+10
Mark Calcavecchia	71-71-71=291	+11
Davey Davis	72-72-70=291	+11
Nick Faldo	71-71-71=291	+11
Sergio Garcia	72-68-71=291	+11
Daniel Chopra	71-68-70=292	+12
Tim Petrovic	71-68-70=292	+12
Dick Price	70-70-72=292	+12
Lee Janzen	72-70-71=292	+12
John Peterson	71-71-71=292	+12
Shane Michael	71-71-71=293	+13
Ben Curtis	71-71-71=293	+13
Peter Lonard	71-73-71=295	+15
Al Garcia	71-73-71=295	+15
Padraig Harrington	73-71-76=295	+15
Davey Rosend	68-73-74=296	+16
Lee Van Pelt	71-73-74=296	+16
Casey Wittenberg	71-73-74=296	+16
Charles Howell II	71-73-74=296	+16
Hidemi Tanaka	70-74-73=296	+16
Charles Howell III	71-73-74=296	+16
Joe Ogilvie	70-75-74=297	+17
David Toms	71-74-73=297	+17
Spike McRoy	72-72-71=297	+17
Jerry Kelly	72-72-71=297	+17
A-Bill Haas	72-72-71=297	+17
Geoffrey Stok	71-71-73=297	+17
Scott Verpank	71-71-73=297	+17
A-Stephen Leaney	71-71-73=297	+17
John Rollins	70-68-76=298	+18
Chris Riley	71-71-76=298	+18
Jim Furyk	72-72-75=298	+18
Scott Hoch	75-70-71=299	+19
Douglas Hart	70-73-76=299	+19
Trevor Immelman	69-70-78=300	+20
Tom Carter	74-71-78=300	+20
Joakim Haegmann	74-69-76=302	+22
Phil Price	70-73-76=302	+22
Tom Kite	72-71-75=302	+22
Grady Price	72-71-75=302	+22
Alex Cejka	73-71-75=302	+22
Jeff Kline	73-71-75=302	+22
A-Chris Reavie	71-71-75=304	+24
John Henry	70-68-76=306	+26
Kevin Stadler	70-72-82=307	+27
Billy Mayfair	70-80-80=310	+30

# Open: Mickelson falls apart on 17th hole; Maggert third

OPEN, FROM BACK PAGE

On the 17th, it all came undone.

"I really don't know what to say there," said Mickelson, who wound up with a 71. "I hit the putt pretty easy. It was downwind."

"And when the wind gets ahold on these greens, it keeps going."

Goosen finished at 4-under 276, the lowest winning score in the three U.S. Opens held at Shinnecock Hills.

Making it even more impressive were the brutal conditions that didn't allow anyone to break par in the final round. The average score Sunday was 78.7, the highest

for a final U.S. Open since 1972 at Pebble Beach.

Jeff Maggert shot 72 to finish third, picking up a nice check and valuable Ryder Cup points.

Ernie Els, who played in the final group with Goosen, made double bogey on the first hole and slid all the way to an 80 for his worst score in a U.S. Open.

He wasn't alone.

**FAMILY TIES:** Jeff Haas shot a 76 in the third round and his son Bill had a 71, leaving them tied at 6-over 216.

On Sunday, Father's Day, Jeff Haas teed off at 11:40 a.m. EDT, 30 minutes and three groups before Bill, an amateur who will turn pro next week.

"If I had made a par on 18 we would have been one group apart," Jeff Haas said. "That would have been something special."

**TIGER TALE:** Tiger Woods had a 3-over 73 Saturday to continue his struggles in third rounds of the U.S. Open.

Woods, who has won this event twice, has broken 70 only once in the nine third rounds he has played. He had a 69 at Southern Hills in 2001, when he finished tied for 12th. The years he won he had a third-round 71 (2000) and 70 (2002).

Woods closed his final Saturday with an eagle 2 when he holed a sand wedge from 106 yards.

"I tell you what, that definitely put me back in the tournament, where if the wind blows and I play a great round of golf, I can still win this tournament," he said.

**GOOD BREAK:** Chris DiMarco broke his record on Friday and said it was one of the best things he ever did.

He finished the second round using a 3-wood off the tee and missed one fairway over the final 13 holes. On Saturday, he went to a backup driver and again found the fairway nine times.

"The backup was the same as the other driver so maybe it was me and not the club," he said after shooting a 70 that left him at 2-over 212. "No, breaking that was the best thing that happened to me."



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# Newman ends drought with first win of 2004

BY MIKE HARRIS

The Associated Press

BROOKLYN, Mich. — Ryan Newman finally got his first victory of 2004, making up a lost lap to win Sunday at Michigan International Speedway.

Newman led NASCAR's Nextel Cup series with eight victories a year ago, but had not finished better than third this season before winning the DHL 400 — the 15th race of the year — on Michigan's fast 2-mile oval.

It didn't look like this was going to be Newman's day either, after the radiator on the front of his Penske Racing South Dodge became blocked by trash early in the race. The engine overheated, forcing Newman to make a green flag pit stop on the 22nd of 200 laps.

"We just picked up some paper or something and had to make a stop," Newman said. "It's better to be safe than sorry. After that, we just had to work our way forward."

Newman regained the lead lap near the midway point in the race and steadily worked his way forward, passing Dale Jarrett for the lead on a restart on lap 178.

Nine drivers had won here in the last nine races, but Newman, who won here last August, ended that streak. He became the first driver to win back-to-back races at MIS since Mark Martin in August 1997 and June 1998. It was the 11th victory of Newman's Cup career.

Jarrett, who held on to finish third for his first top-five finish since he won at Rockingham in the second race of 2003, was unable to stay with Newman at the end. He couldn't hold off hard-charging rookie Kasey Kahne for the runner-up spot on lap 199.

Sterling Marlin finished sixth after having one of the strongest cars all day and leading several times. Marlin fell out of contention when he pitted for the final time under caution on lap 176.

Jarrett took the lead and Newman moved to second when both chose to stay on the track and gamble on going the rest of the way without changing tires or adding gas. Both had pitted on lap 152.

After two weeks of confusion and controversy over scoring problems and miscues by NASCAR officials, Sunday's race came off without a hitch. But there were some questions when a caution flag came out on the final lap with the crashed car of P.J. Jones sitting in the middle of the track in turn two, far behind the leaders.

NASCAR spokesman Mike Zizzo said the yellow was waved because there were at least six cars racing on the track behind Jones' wreck and NASCAR did not want to delay the safety crew from reaching him. Jones was not injured.

"I'm glad the fans saw a non-controversial race and a great

race," said Elliott Sadler, Jarrett's Robert Yates Racing teammate, who finished fifth after running near the front most of the day.

The final yellow flag kept Newman from having to deal with the fast-closing Kahne.

The 24-year-old Evernham Motorsports driver, still looking for his first win, came up with his fourth second-place finish of the season after also charging back from losing a lap early with handling problems.

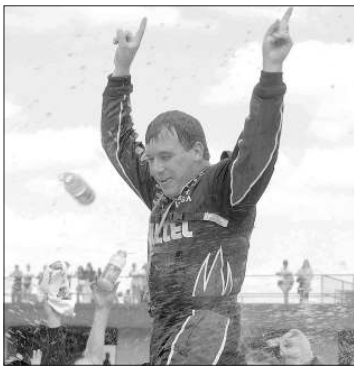
We were on newer tires, so I think at any time we could have caught him," Kahne said. "We were pretty damn good there at the end. If it had gone to the finish, I would have come up about a car length short."

Jimmie Johnson finished fourth and moved ahead of Dale Earnhardt Jr. by seven points in the season standings. Junior struggled most of the day, lost a late gamble on a two-tire stop and finished 21st.

Seventh place went to defending series champion Matt Kenseth, followed by Bobby Labonte, rookie Brian Vickers and Michael Waltrip.

Kurt Busch, last year's race winner, finished 11th.

It looked for a while like pole winner Jeff Gordon was going to run away with the race. He led 81 of the first 88 laps before the engine in his Chevrolet blew up in a cloud of white smoke.



THE NORTHWEST SIGNAL/AP

Ryan Newman exits his car in victory lane after his win in the NASCAR DHL 400 at Michigan International Speedway on Sunday.

"We're making such great power these days and we've got the reliability," Gordon said of his Hendrick Motorsports team. "Unfortunately, that wasn't the case today."

Tony Stewart also had a difficult day after being penalized and

sent to the rear of the 43-car field for the start for leaving the pre-race drivers meeting early. The former series champion worked his way back to the top 10, but crashed with Greg Biffle on lap 193, bringing out one of the nine caution flags in the race.

# Ferraris in control again in crash-filled U.S. Grand Prix

The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Michael Schumacher reclaimed the lead for the final time on the 50th lap and pulled away from teammate Rubens Barrichello to win Sunday's United States Grand Prix for his eighth victory in nine races this year.

Schumacher avoided trouble in a crash-marred race and cruised to a 2.9-second victory over Bar-

richello on Indianapolis' 13-turn, 2.665-mile road course. Japan's Takuma Sato was third, 22.0 seconds off the pace.

After struggling all weekend with the car's handling, the only challenge Schumacher had Sunday was picking spots to make moves.

Barrichello and Schumacher, teammates for Ferrari, filled the front row for the start, and the German wasted no time in testing

the pole winner.

Schumacher darted inside heading into the first turn, but Barrichello moved down on the track, cutting off Schumacher to retain the lead.

It lasted just five laps.

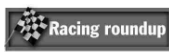
When the race restarted after a five-car crash in the first turn of the race, Schumacher again tried an inside move coming out of turn 13 and this time raced Barrichello, a Brazilian, wheel to wheel down the straightaway. Barrichello couldn't hold off this time.

Barrichello regained the lead when Schumacher pitted on lap 42. Eight laps later, Barrichello pitted, giving Schumacher the lead again. On Lap 52, they waged their biggest battle.

As Barrichello tried to pass Schumacher in three consecutive turns, Schumacher cut him off each time, sometimes getting dangerously close to his teammate. Schumacher then pulled away for his third win in five starts at Indianapolis.

The BMW Williams team again struggled Sunday. First, Juan Pablo Montoya's car wouldn't start. Montoya, a Colombian, was pushed into the pits and surrendered his No. 5 starting spot before the green flag even waved.

Then Montoya's teammate, Ralf Schumacher, lost control on lap 10. The car spun twice coming out of turn 13, then slammed hard into the outside wall before stopping in the straightaway.



Schumacher stayed in the car for several minutes as track workers freed him. Schumacher, Michael's brother, was taken to Methodist Hospital for further examination.

On lap 58, Montoya was black-flagged for starting the race in a spare car and not starting the race within 15 seconds of the start.

He also ignored his team's instructions to return to the garage. It was the second time in two weeks the Williams team did not score points. Last week both cars were disqualified for using illegal front brake ducts in the Canadian Grand Prix.

**Kyle Busch starts last, finishes first in Kentucky**

SPARTA, Ky. — Kyle Busch took the lead with two laps to go and held on to win the Meijer 300 on Saturday night at Kentucky Speedway for his third Busch Series victory of the year.

The 19-year-old Beech, the brother of Nextel Cup driver Kurt Busch, started from the back of the 43-car field after wrecking his car in practice.

Busch qualified second Friday, but wrecked his Chevrolet during a post-qualifying practice session. Because he used his backup car Saturday, he had to start at

the back of the field.

By the 47th lap, Busch had moved into the top 10. He slowly worked his way through the rest of the field, and with 13 laps to go, on a restart after a late caution, he was third behind Greg Biffle and Jason Leffler.

After passing Leffler, Busch ducked under Biffle for the lead with two laps left. Busch won by 1.274 seconds over Biffle, who has won three Busch Series races this year. Mike Bliss finished third, followed by Ron Hornaday Jr. and Jason Keller.

Busch, who averaged 126.633 mph, remained second in the series points race behind Martin Truex Jr., but closed the gap from 40 to 10 points. Truex finished sixth Saturday.

**Hamilton wins truck race**

MILLINGTON, Tenn. — Bobby Hamilton took the lead with eight laps left and held off Shane Hmiel by 4.423 seconds Saturday to win the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series' O'Reilly 200.

Hmiel, a first-time series starter on the 0.75-mile Memphis Motorsports Park track, lost a half-second lead when Rick Crawford's spin on the 187th lap brought out a caution flag.

The 47-year-old Hamilton took the lead with an outside pass on the second lap after the restart en route to his second victory of the season and sixth overall on the truck series.

Defending race winner Ted Musgrave finished third.

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# 500!

## Week-long wait ends as Junior becomes 20th to reach mark

BY R.B. FALLSTROM

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Ken Griffey Jr. trotted around the bases as if it were just another home run. It was anything but.

Griffey hit a 2-2 pitch from Matt Morris into the right-field stands leading off the sixth inning Sunday, securing a spot in the record books as the 20th player to hit 500 homers.

The star center fielder ended a frustrating stretch with the swing, which helped the Cincinnati Reds beat the St. Louis Cardinals 6-0. At 34, he became the sixth-youngest player to reach the milestone.

Griffey, who had been stuck on No. 499 for a week, took a drive fly extra to watch his drive fly into the seats, then dropped his bat and slowly trotted around the bases after his 19th homer of the season.

The base coaches simply shook Griffey's hand as he passed by.

When Griffey crossed the plate, he tapped fists with teammate Adam Dunn, who patted Griffey on the helmet. Teammates came onto the field to congratulate him.

Griffey went to a box next to the dugout and hugged his father and children.

Griffey, the first to reach 500 in a Cincinnati uniform, got a warm ovation from a sellout crowd of 45,620 and a standing ovation as he ran back to center field before the bottom of the sixth. He responded with a wave of his cap.

Jung Keun Bong (1-1) allowed three hits in six scoreless innings and three relievers finished a combined four-hit shutout to end the Reds' nine-game road losing streak. The slump was the team's longest since a 10-game skid in 1998.

The Reds, who got a three-run homer from Jason LaRue in the



Cincinnati's Ken Griffey Jr. acknowledges the crowd's cheers as he takes the field after hitting his 500th career home run in the sixth inning against the St. Louis Cardinals on Sunday.

fourth, also averted a three-game sweep and ended the Cardinals' six-game winning streak. St. Louis, which leads the NL Central, had won 15 of 19.

Jimmie Fox (3-2) was the youngest to reach 500. Willie Mays, Sammy Sosa, Hank Aaron and Babe Ruth, like Griffey, were also 34.

Griffey was the fastest to reach 350, 400 and 450 before being slowed by injuries the past three seasons.

Three other active players have hit 500 homers. Barry Bonds is third on the career list with 676, Sosa has 549 and Rafael Palmeiro has 538. Fred McGriff was number five with 500.

Griffey was 5-for-21 with four RBIs in six games since homering last Sunday against Cleveland.

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Jim Thome hit two two-run homers and Jimmy Rollins had an inside-the-park home run to lead the Philadelphia Phillies to an 8-2 victory over the Kansas City Royals on Sunday.

Thome connected in his first two at-bats, giving him a major league-leading 23, for the 34th multihomer game of his career and second this year. He added a double in the fourth inning and a sacrifice fly in the sixth for his fifth RBI of the day, pushing his team-high total to 30.

Brian Powell (1-1) won seven innings, allowing six hits and two runs for his first major league victory in two years. Rheal Cormier pitched two scoreless innings.

Thome's first-inning homer gave the Phils a 2-1 lead. Bobby Abreu led off the third with a single and Thome followed with a shot to right center, ending the seventh home run in eight games.

In other games Sunday:

**Expos 4, White Sox 2:** Orlando Cabrera hit a two-run homer with one out in the ninth inning, giving him Montreal's second straight victory over Chicago.

Cabrera connected off Jim Garland (5-4) for his fourth homer — and first since May 2 — after Jose Vidro's one-out double.

Garland, who retired the first 16 batters he faced, pitched his second career complete game and first of the season.

Vidro hit a two-run single in the sixth to put Montreal up 2-1, the Expos' only hit through the first eight innings.

**Indians 5, Braves 2:** Jason Davis threw seven innings to win for the first time in almost seven weeks and also hit his first major league homer as visiting Cleveland beat slumping Atlanta.

The Braves have lost eight of 12 games and five straight series, including four straight against American League opponents.

Davis (2-5) was making his

### Sunday's baseball

ninth start since his only previous win of the season on May 4. Dating to July 1, 2002,

he had only two wins in his last 25 starts. Against the Braves, however, Davis was dominant while retiring the side in order in three of the first four innings. He gave up four hits and two runs in seven innings.

**Mets 6, Tigers 1:** Richard Hidalgo homered for his first hit with the Mets, Mike Piazza also connected and host New York completed a three-game sweep.

Steve Trachsel (7-5) pitched six innings for the Mets, who got a two-run double from Eric Valent in their fourth consecutive victory. New York moved back to seven with its sixth victory in 500 games.

Acquired from Houston on Thursday for pitchers David Weathers and Jeremy Griffiths, Hidalgo went 2-for-4 and scored twice. He hit a two-run shot off Jeremy Bonamander (5-6) in the fourth.

**Mariners 5, Pirates 4:** Ichiro Suzuki hit a go-ahead double in Seattle's three-run seventh as the Mariners completed a sweep of the host Pirates.

Seattle won its fourth in a row and ninth in 13 games. Freddie Garcia (4-6) gave up two runs and six hits in six innings to end a three-game losing streak.

**Orioles 4, Rockies 2:** With Baltimore within one out of its eighth straight loss, Brian Roberts hit a grand slam to give the Orioles a victory over host Colorado.

Shawn Chacon (0-5) walked two with one out and another with two outs before Roberts lifted his third career grand slam over the wall in right.

**Twins 4, Brewers 2:** Johan Santana struck out a season-high 12 in eight innings and also drove in a run for visiting Minnesota. Santana (5-4) struck out the side in

the fifth and seventh innings and had eight strikeouts over his last four innings in winning his third straight after four losses.

Joe Nathan pitched a scoreless ninth inning to earn his 19th save.

**Astros 3, Angels 1:** Wade Miller threw seven innings and Eric Bruntlett hit his first home run of the season for host Houston.

Miller (7-6) allowed six hits and one unearned run while striking out four and walking four.

Brad Lidge pitched a scoreless eighth and Octavio Delgado struck out Vladimir Guerrero with a runner on second for his 13th save in 16 opportunities.

**Cubs 5, Athletics 3:** Moises Alou hit a two-run homer, his 17th of the season, and Carlos Zambrano (8-2) won his fourth straight decision for host Chicago.

Zambrano outpitched Oakland reliever Zito, giving up one run in five hits and striking out eight in 6 1/3 innings.

Zito (4-4) allowed four runs on seven hits and three walks, striking out nine and hitting a batter in five innings.

**Rangers 4, Marlins 2 (11):** Hank Blalock's two-run homer gave Texas a weekend sweep.

Blalock's homer off newly acquired reliever Billy Koch came after Texas coach Francisco Cordero blew a save in the ninth and prevented Kenny Rogers from becoming the first 10-game winner in the majors.

Michael Young opened the 11th with a single, and Blalock followed with his 17th homer of the season on the first pitch from Koch (0-1).

Ron Mahay (1-0) pitched two scoreless innings to get the Rangers' third straight win.

Rogers allowed four hits and one run in seven innings and appeared on his way to improving to 10-2 as the Rangers took a 2-1 lead into the bottom of the ninth.

But Mike Lowell's two-out single off Cordero knocked in Alex Gonzalez with the tying run.

# Rivera's two homers in inning key Expos' win

The Associated Press

MONTREAL — Juan Rivera hit two homers in the second inning, including his first career grand slam, and the Montreal Expos blew most of a 10-run lead before holding on for a 17-14 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Saturday.

Rivera had a career-high seven RBIs for the White Sox.

Rivera drove in six runs in the second, tying Andre Dawson's Expos blow most of a 10-run lead before holding on for a 17-14 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Saturday.

Montreal, which ended a

### Saturday's baseball

seven-game losing streak, scored nine of its 11 runs off Munoz in the second for its biggest inning in nearly five years.

Rivera became the first major league to hit two homers in an inning since Pittsburgh's Reggie Sanders on Aug. 20.

Trailling 11-1 through three, Chicago scored five runs in the fourth, three in the sixth and four in the seventh to close to 15-13.

In Saturday's other games:

**Angels 6, Astros 4:** Raman Ortiz pitched six scoreless in-

nings, Vladimir Guerrero had a homer and three RBIs and visiting Atlanta handed Roger Clemens (9-2) his second straight loss.

**Mariners 5, Pirates 1:** Joel Pinheiro limited host Pittsburgh to one run over eight innings and Rich Aurilia drove in three runs to lead Seattle.

**Braves 4, Indians 0:** Paul Byrd pitched seven shutout innings in his first start since 2002, and Eli Marrero and Julio Franco hit two-run homers to lead the host Braves over Cleveland.

**Brewers 7, Twins 6:** Geoff Jenkins hit a tiebreaking home run off the eighth and the host Brewers rallied from a five-run deficit to beat Minnesota.

**Phillies 4, Royals 2:** Jim Thome hit his 21st homer, tops in the majors, and Eric Milton (9-2) became the fourth nine-game winner in baseball.

**Rockies 11, Orioles 6:** Preston Wilson drove in four runs in his second game since coming off the disabled list and Jeff Fassero (1-6) threw five-plus innings.

**Rangers 7, Marlins 6:** Eric Young drove in three runs, Kevin Mench hit a two-run homer and Texas beat host Florida.

**Mets 4, Tigers 3 (10):** Jose Reyes' 10th-inning triple set up Mike Cameron's second game-winning hit in as many nights for host New York.

**Padres 3, Blue Jays 2:** Trevor Hoffman earned his 36th career save, keyed Sean Lincecum to fourth on the career list and the host Padres rallied with two runs in the eighth to end a season-high six-game losing streak.

**Cardinals 9, Reds 2:** Albert Pujols' three-run homer in the seventh, keyed Sean Lincecum to fourth straight victory. Pujols also hit the game-winning homer leading off the 10th inning on Friday.

Woody Williams (5-6) threw seven innings and Jim Edmonds was 3-for-4 with a home run for the Cardinals, who have won 15 of 19.

Scott Rolen had a bases-loaded triple. He leads the majors with 70 RBIs.





## Ready for some football?



DAVE ORNAUER/Stars and Stripes

Yokosuka Seahawks running back Charles Ellis is swarmed by three Yokota Raiders defenders during Saturday's U.S. Forces Japan-American Football League jamboree at Berkeley Field, Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan. Some 500 fans watched each of the league's four teams play a quarter against each other over a 4½-hour span. The league's regular season opens Saturday.

## Rays keep shining, stretch streak to 10 by routing D-backs

BY MEL REISNER

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — The way the Tampa Bay Devil Rays are playing, the Marlins have no problem spreading around the credit for their latest victory.

Martinez drove in five runs with a homer and a double, powering the Tampa Bay Devil Rays to their 10th consecutive win with an 11-4 rout of the Arizona Diamondbacks on Saturday night. "We're exciting as a team," he said. "Offensively, we're really playing well. We're getting good pitching, the bullpen is doing a great job. It's just a great team effort."

"We've got a lot of confidence in it. If we take the lead or fall behind, we feel we have a chance to win."

The Devil Rays are a major league-best 10-1 in interleague play and have won 21 of 27 games. Carl Crawford, they rallied from a 3-0 deficit with seven runs in the second inning, highlighted by Martinez's two-run shot.

Reliever Rob Bell pitched seven innings of four-hit ball for Tampa Bay.

Jose Cruz Jr. added a two-run triple, Carl Crawford had an RBI double and Toby Hall and Rocco Baldelli hit run-scoring singles in the second.

Martinez lined a bases-loaded double into the gap in the seventh after Crawford singled off reliever Stephen Randolph and Randolph walked two of the next three hitters he faced.

Martinez left for a pinch-runner with a double and Martinez, in his left hamstring. He is tired to day and had been scheduled to rest Sunday regardless,

with Fred McGriff replacing him at first base.

"It's been sore for about 10 days," Martinez said. "I've just been playing through it, and when I tried to speed up a little bit between first and second, I kind of felt it grab, and I didn't want to risk it."

The victory was No. 1,413 for Tampa Bay manager Lou Piniella, tying him with Miller Huggins for 20th on the career list.

"You're passing prestige people, Hall of Fame people," Piniella said. "But I'll reflect when my career is over. Right now, what's important here is what these kids are doing."

Shea Hillenbrand had a two-run double for the Diamondbacks, but had seven hits and scored four runs against Tampa Bay starter Devon Brazelton in two innings.

But Bell (2-3) steadied the Devil Rays with solid relief, allowing an RBI single to Chad Tracy in the third — with the run charged to Brazelton. Bell struck out five without walking a batter.

"The only real surprising part about it was going back out in the ninth," said Bell, who started five games after joining the Devil Rays from Triple-A Durham on May 19. "The pitching coach came over and said, 'Good job,' and shook my hand. I thought for sure they would have got somebody else going."

Arizona scored three times in the first on a single by Steve Finley and Hillenbrand's two-run single.

But Aubrey Huff led off the second with a double and Martinez followed with a shot into the Tampa Bay bullpen, his team-high 12th homer.

# Big prize lits trade market as Shaq looks to leave L.A.

GM Kupchak says maximum offer will be made to Bryant

BY JOHN NADEL

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The NBA trade market has one huge addition: Call him The Big Commodity.

"If any GM out there wants a hardworking big man who wants to win championships, call [Lakers general manager] Mitch Kupchak, because he will entertain offers," Shaquille O'Neal said.

The breakup of the Lakers has already begun, with Phil Jackson out and O'Neal looking to join him.

Now the Lakers are Kobe Bryant's team, if the free agent is not blurring about wanting to be a "Laker for life" and doesn't end up in prison.

In the end, the team belongs to owner Jerry Buss, whose sentiments have been made clear in the past few days.

"His direction they're going in, if they're going to continue to go in the same direction, I don't want to be a part of this," O'Neal told the Los Angeles Times and Los Angeles Daily News.

"This team, it ain't about me. It ain't about Phil. It's supposed to be about team."

At age 32, O'Neal isn't the same player he was during the team's championship years. He can dominate as before, but only in stretches. The NBA Finals against Detroit went to a perfect example; he was very good in Games 1 and 4 and far below that standard otherwise.

O'Neal is under contract for \$27.6 million next year and \$30.6 million the following season and can opt out after next year.

He wanted an extension before the 2005-2006 season, but it never happened.

During a preseason game in Hawaii last October, as he ran down the court, O'Neal yelled something at Buss about giving him the money.

## Report: Lakers have contacted Tomjanovich

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Former Houston Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich has been contacted by the Los Angeles Lakers about replacing Phil Jackson as their coach, a Houston television station and newspaper reported Saturday.

Tomjanovich issued a statement confirming that he would look into the position, Houston television station KRIV and The Houston Chronicle reported.

"I have been contacted and I am interested in discussing things with the Lakers and hearing what they have to say," Tomjanovich said in the statement.

Tomjanovich, 55, resigned as Rockets coach a year ago to treat bladder cancer. He is still under contract with the team.

No doubt that wasn't well-received by the owner.

"When I was brought here by [Phil Jackson] in 1996, there was a team concept. ... It was something I wanted to be a part of," O'Neal said. "Now no one cares. I told you I'm all about winning championships. Now the organization is different. It seems right now they're trying to pit one person against another."

In his first public comments after the Lakers lost to the Pistons, Kupchak, no doubt speaking for Buss, said Thursday the team would never trade Bryant, and would do whatever it took to keep him.

When asked, Kupchak would

not rule out the possibility of dealing O'Neal.

"That would not be a good day in this club's history," the GM said, leaving the door open for what would be the first trade of the big man's career.

The following day, Buss bid goodbye to the most successful coach in NBA history.

Asked Saturday about whether Jackson decided to continue coaching the Lakers, his agent Todd Muburger said, "It's pretty irrelevant. Phil was not asked to return." He never said he didn't want to come back.

As expected, Bryant opted out of his contract to become an unrestricted free agent and O'Neal took his course of action.

The Lakers were about Phil and Shaq for the past five years, with Kobe third in the pecking order. That resulted in three championships and a fourth trip to the NBA Finals.

Whenever Jackson was asked about the Lakers' offense, he'd always say it started with O'Neal, the self-proclaimed MDE — Most Dominant Ever.

No argument from 2000-2002. Plenty of argument since.

O'Neal, who has been critical of Kupchak on several occasions, said the GM is using him as a scapegoat.

"But don't believe it," O'Neal said. "Everyone knows I love L.A."

The Lakers can pay Bryant over \$140 million over seven years — far more than other teams can offer — and Kupchak said the team will offer the maximum.

Kupchak said Bryant's impending trip in Colorado on a sexual assault charge could be a problem. But it will if Bryant is convicted.

Bryant, who turns 26 this summer, has delivered mixed messages, saying he wanted to be a Laker for life, but also saying he wanted to check out free agency.

## Magic insist McGrady talks continuing

The Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Orlando General Manager John Weisbrod said Saturday the Magic are still in contract discussions with Tracy McGrady, even though the star player has reportedly told the team he wants out.

"I certainly will not confirm that [McGrady] is going to be traded," Weisbrod said. "I'm going to continue to say on T-Mac what I have said for the last month, which is that [Arm (Telleum, McGrady's agent)] and I are in discussions."

McGrady can opt out of his seven-year, \$93 million contract after next season, and has said he will unless Orlando improves dramatically from the 21-61 record

this past season. But the Magic have vowed to trade him, rather than letting the four-time All Star leave without any compensation — like Shaquille O'Neal did eight years ago.

O'Neal has told the Lakers he wants to be traded. He is under contract for another two years, but can opt out after next season.

O'Neal still lives in the Orlando area in the offseason, fueling speculation the Lakers may try to trade him to the Magic.

"I would expect that I'm going to hear from [Lakers General Manager Mitch Kupchak] on that, since I think when people talk about Shaq moving I think they know in his mind and his heart that this would be the obvi-

ous place he'd want to go," Weisbrod said. "But, when you look at the financial piece of that, it's almost an impossibility."

O'Neal is owed \$27.7 million next season and \$30.6 million the following year, making Orlando's chances of acquiring him "pretty close to mathematically impossible," Weisbrod said.

"We'd be fielding a roster with seven guys on it," Weisbrod said.

The Magic also brought high school player Dwight Howard in for a workout and interview at their practice facility Saturday. Orlando has the top pick in next week's draft, and is thought to be looking for a forward and Connecticut's Emeka Okafor — who worked out for the team Saturday.

# Brown's home runs help Wildcats eliminate hogs

By ERIC OLSON  
The Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Jordan Brown looked more like the No. 3 batter he used to be in Arizona's batting order rather than the No. 8 batter he was Sunday.

The demoted Brown hit two of his team's four home runs as the Wildcats defeated Arkansas 7-2 in a College World Series elimination game.

"To me, as long as I'm playing on a stage like this, where I'm hitting doesn't really mean much as long as I get my hacks," said Brown, who was 0-for-13 in super regional games against Long Beach State and struck out three times and had two singles in Friday's first-round CWS loss to Georgia.

Arizona (36-26-1) moves to a Tuesday game against the loser of Sunday night's Georgia-Texas matchup. Arkansas ended its season 45-24.

John Melon (10-0) and Mark Melancon combined to hold Arkansas to five hits.

The Razorbacks had managed only two hits in a 13-2 loss to Texas on Friday.

Arkansas' Dave Van Horn be-

came the only coach to lose each of his first six games in the College World Series. Van Horn also went two-and-out in 2001 and '02 with his Nebraska teams.

Melton played perfect this season by scattering five hits in 6 1/3 innings. He walked six and struck out five.

"I mixed it up and tried to throw a variety of pitches at them," Melon said. "No matter who you're playing in college baseball, two pitches are going to get guys out on a consistent basis. I made good pitches, hit my spots and that's what got me out."

Melton retired the last eight batters he faced for his third save. Brown homered leading off the third inning to open the scoring for Arkansas starter Clint Brannon (4-4).

The Wildcats went up 5-0 in the fourth as Moises Duran hit a two-run homer off Brannon and Brown hit a two-run shot off reliever Jay Sawatski.

Jason Donald hit the Wildcats' fourth home run of the game leading off the ninth inning.

Arizona coach Andy Lopez said Brown was moved lower in the order because he wanted to mini-

mize lefty-left matchups with Arkansas' Brannon and Sawatski.

Brown said he didn't take the demotion as a slap and that it would not have affected his Sunday game.

"If you need extra motive to do well on a stage like this, you're in the wrong game," he said.

Lopez said he appreciates Brown's attitude.

"One strong trait this program has with this group of young guys is they don't take anything personally as far as moving them in and out of the lineup," Lopez said. "They understand we're trying to make the best decision we can for that particular day."

Arkansas got its first hit off Melon in the fourth inning when Scott Hode sent a hard liner down the third-base line.

But for the second straight game, the Hogs couldn't generate any offense.

Hode strayed too far from first on Haas Pratt's deep flyout.

Donald, Arizona's shortstop, relayed a center fielder's throw to Hode's throw to first before Hode could get back, ending the inning.

The Hogs mustered only one



Arizona's John Hardy (34) steals second as Arkansas' Brett Hagedorn reaches for the throw in the sixth inning of a College World Series elimination game in Omaha, Neb., Sunday.

run in the fifth after they loaded the bases with none out on back-to-back singles and a walk. Danny Hamblin scored on Scott Bridges' sacrifice.

After loading the bases again with two out, Melon struck out Clay Goodwin to end the inning.

The Hogs loaded the bases one more time in the seventh, but could push across only one run, which was walked in by reliever Melancon.

"What you saw today was a team that almost looked tired," Van Horn said. "Maybe we

maxed out the last couple week-ends and that was that."

The Razorbacks were not expected to be in Omaha this year after being picked to finish last in the Southeastern Conference's West Division. The Hogs won the West and then eight of 10 games on their way to the CWS.

"If you had told me at the beginning of the year we were going to win 45 games and go to Omaha and lose two, I would have taken it in a second and been the happiest man in the country," Van Horn said. "Next year we'll be better, and hopefully we'll be back."

## Magee's header gives MetroStars 2-1 victory

The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.

—Mike Magee knocked in an 89th-minute header Sunday to lead the MetroStars over the Los Angeles Galaxy 2-1.

The MetroStars were missing four starters because of injuries, while five others were out serving commitments to their respective national teams.

Magee scored the game-winner off a cross by Gilberto Flores, diving between two defenders and pushing it past diving goalkeeper Dan Popkin in the 89th minute.

Magee's corner kick set up the first goal in the 42nd as Kenny Arena headed home. Arena, the son of United States coach Bruce Arena, scored his first career goal in just his second start of the season.

The Galaxy leveled early in the second half when former Austria midfielder Andreas Herzog scored from the penalty spot in the 47th.

### United 3, Crew 1

WASHINGTON — D.C. United ended a four-hour scoring drought with two goals from Alecko Eskandarian and one from Jaime Moreno.

Moreno's goal ended a 10-minute dry spell for United, whose last goal was an own goal

against New England on May 29. United (4-5-4) also ended the Crew's seven-game unbeaten streak.

Rookie Troy Perkins lost his third shutout on Manny Lages' goal in the 90th minute. Columbus dropped to 4-4-3.

Freddy Adu, who played 90 minutes for the U.S. under-20 team against Brazil on Wednesday, was a second-half substitute for United for the second consecutive game. The 15-year-old striker replaced Eskandarian in the 69th minute.

### Wizards 3, Revolution 1

FOXBORO, Mass. — Matt Taylor scored two goals to help Kansas City extend its unbeaten streak to four games (3-0-1) and improve to 6-4-3 overall.

Davy Arnaud also scored for the Wizards. Call Dempsey scored for New England.

### Fire 1, Earthquakes 1

CHICAGO — Brian Ching scored in the 66th minute and goalkeeper Pat Onstad stopped Ante Razov's penalty kick in the 86th minute to help San Jose.

Ching has an MLS-leading seven goals for the Earthquakes (4-4-4). Nate Jaqua scored for the Fire (4-3-5).

### Rapids 1, Burn 1

DENVER — Dallas' Jason Kreis scored his 88th MLS goal for the Roy Lassiter (4-4-3).

## Kerr sinks final putt to clinch win

The Associated Press

GALLOWAY TOWNSHIP, N.J.

—Cristie Kerr didn't look at the leaderboard, didn't ask her caddy who she should, didn't wonder about who was behind her.

Standing on the 18th green, with a chance to win the ShopRite LPGA Classic, she tried to focus on the 8-foot putt in front of her.

"I knew that I was going to sink Sunday," said Kerr. "It doesn't mean anything unless you can execute the shot." So that's what I did."

With playing partner Paula Creamer and Glinis Seaview sharing the lead with her at 10-under par, Kerr needed to birdie up a stroke. She made the pickup putt, boosting her to 11 under par and the victory.

"The putt was just an amazing, amazing under-pressure stroke that I made. I got a good read on it and it was perfect," she said. "It's the stuff you dream about."

The 17-year-old rookie Creamer already in the clubhouse, she said had to worry about was Seaview, who was playing in a twoosome behind her. Kerr was about to head to the practice green to prepare for a playoff when her caddy told her she'd won.

The victory, which came with a \$195,000 check, meant more than money.

"This was a little bit of mental breakthrough for me, this round and this tournament, because I came from behind to win. I han-

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ded the adversity well," said Kerr.

Kerr, shot 66-68-68 for a three-day total of 11-under 202 to win her third LPGA title, finishing on a breezy Seaview Marriott Resort course.

Creamer (69) and Seaview (71) finished one shot back at 203, followed by Juli Inkster (67) and Mi Hyun Kim (69) at 204.

Denise Killeen, who held a two-shot lead going into the final round and was hoping to win her first LPGA event since joining the tour 12 years ago, shot an 8-over 79 Sunday and finished seven shots from the top.

### Barrera KOs Ayala

CARSON, Calif. — Marco Antonio Barrera knocked out Paulie Ayala in the 10th round of a featherweight fight between two former champions Saturday night.

A right hand by Barrera sent Ayala to the canvas for the third time, and referee Pat Russell stopped the scheduled 12-round bout 2:34 into the 10th without starting a count.

"On the last knockdown, he caught me very hard in the ribs," Ayala said. "I lost my breathing. I decided to take a knee and that was it."

Barrera knocked Ayala down twice in the eighth round. The first came on a five-punch combi-

nation about a minute in. He went down again about a minute later on a double hook to the body.

Barrera landed 231 of 593 punches, while Ayala landed 80 of 341, according to CompuBox statistics.

### U.S. finishes off Grenada to advance in Cup qualifying

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada — The United States advanced in World Cup qualifying Sunday with a 3-2 victory over Grenada on a soggy field.

Landon Donovan, Josh Wolff and DaMarcus Beasley scored for the Americans, who moved into the CONCACAF qualifying semifinals, which begin in August. The U.S. team, ranked ninth in the world, won the opener of the home-and-home series 3-0 in Columbus, Ohio last week.

Playing on a waterlogged field on this tiny Caribbean island, the Americans immediately pressed the attack. They scored in the 7th minute when Wolff intercepted the ball and fed Claudio Reyna.

He sped down the wing and crossed for Donovan, who put a shot into the lower right side.

Grenada, ranked 138th, tied it on a penalty kick just six minutes later. Jason Roberts beat Kasey Keller for the goal.

But Wolff gave the Americans the lead for good when he scored off a scramble following a corner kick in the 23rd minute.

Beasley made it 3-1 in the 79th minute, only to see Ricky Charles score for Grenada a minute later.

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# Goosen captures second Open

## Lefty blows shot at 2nd straight major win

BY DOUG FERGUSON  
The Associated Press

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. — Retief Goosen didn't get the cheers, just the U.S. Open trophy.

In a sterling display of clutch putting and great escapes, Goosen captured his second U.S. Open in four years Sunday at Shinnecock Hills by one-putting the final six greens and letting Phil Mickelson self-destruct.

In the toughest final round in the U.S. Open in 32 years, Goosen closed with a 1-over 71 for a two-shot victory made possible when Mickelson three-putted from five feet on the 17th just as the raucous New York gallery was ready to send him off in pursuit of the Grand Slam.

Instead, it was Goosen who picked up his second major, along with validation as a tough customer under the most stifling pressure.

Mickelson, who won the Masters for his first major by shooting 31 on the back nine at Augusta National, looked like he might even bring Shinnecock to its knees with awesome control and three birdies over a four-hole stretch that gave him his first lead of the day.

"I fought hard all day," Mickelson said. "I played some of the best golf I ever played."

But he looked like the Mickelson of old when the U.S. Open was on the line.

From the left bunker on the par-3 17th, Mickelson blasted out to five feet, straight down the hill, the wind at his back making the crucial putt feel even faster.

It missed left and kept going, almost as far away on the other side. He missed that one, too, a double bogey that left him two shots behind with one hole to play.

Goosen also found the bunker, but he knocked it out to three feet and slipped it in the left corner for par.

When Mickelson failed to birdie the final hole, Goosen needed three putts from just on the fringe to win.

"I just didn't want to three-putt



Retief Goosen of South Africa receives the trophy after winning the U.S. Open at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club in Southampton, N.Y. on Sunday. Goosen shot a 1-over 71 in the final round and claimed his second Open title in four years by two shots over Masters champion Phil Mickelson.

the 18th again, that's all," Goosen said.

He rolled in a 4-foot par putt, removed his cap and shook it at the hole.

Three years ago, Goosen had the U.S. Open at Southern Hills all wrapped up — until he three-putted from 12 feet on the final hole and fell into a playoff.

He won handily the next day, showing then to be unflappable.

He was just as steady Sunday on a crusty, wind-blown afternoon in which he escaped from trouble time and again.

"Boy, did Retief play well," Mickelson said. "He played solid and deserved to win."

The gallery finally gave the

35-year-old South African his due.

Goosen's brilliant short game, from his amazing par save on the 13th to his clutch birdie on the 16th to regain a share of the lead, his heroics were met with mild applause.

Mickelson was greeted with deafening applause from tee to

green, as if the crowd tried to will him to the second leg of the Grand Slam. But he couldn't shake Goosen, or his past demons around the green.

For three days, Mickelson made almost every par putt that mattered.

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